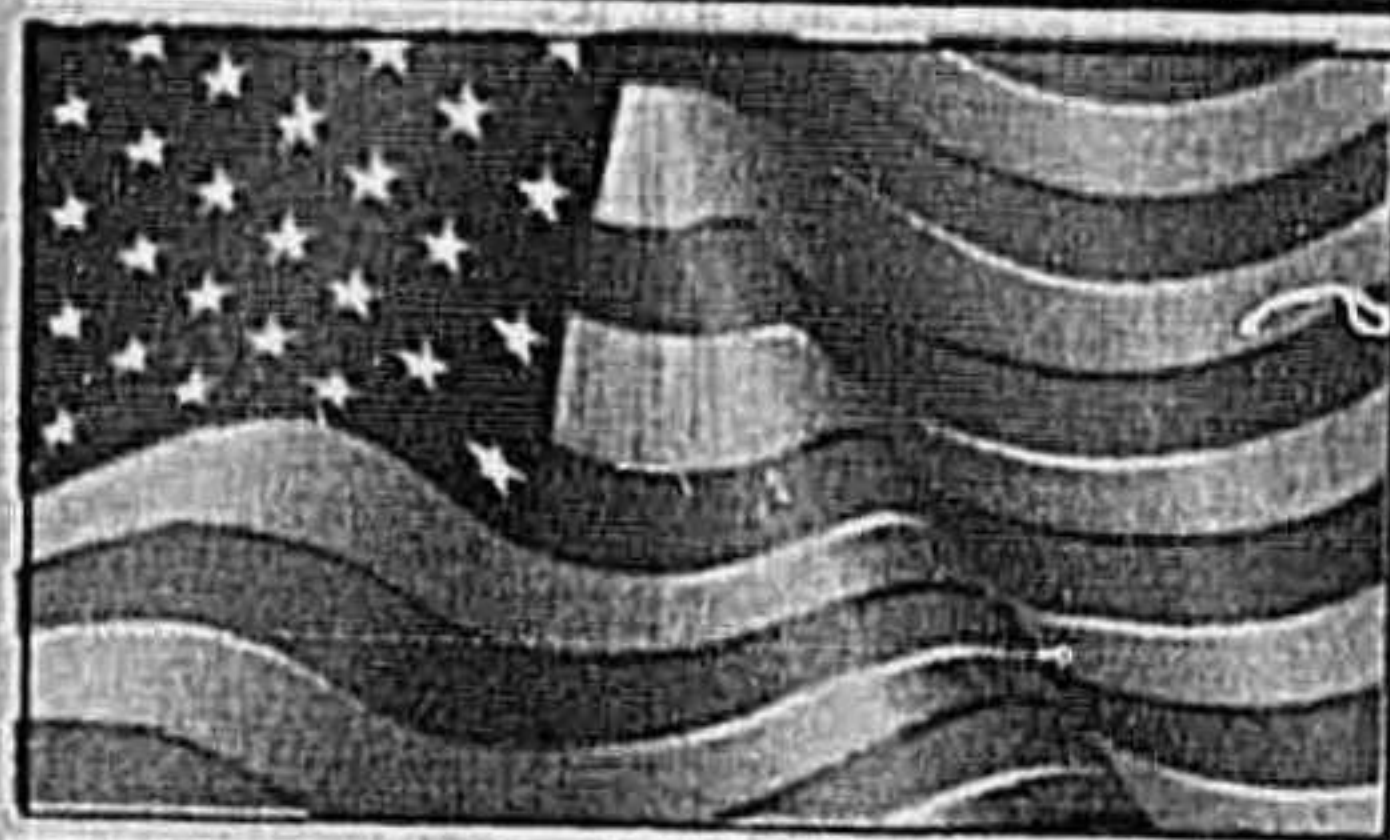


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The list of vital village employees choosing to resign their positions is growing ever longer with the latest being that of village clerk, Candi Rowe. Rowe, who has worked for the village of Antioch for better than 13 years, ended her employment on Jan. 7.

Though her letter of resignation submitted on Dec. 22 was concise, the statement she made at the village board meeting was considerably longer and heartfelt, despite nearly being skipped over on the agenda by Mayor Taso Maravelas.

She said, "This has been a very difficult decision to make because I love my job and working for the community, but feel that it is time

to look forward to new opportunities."

Just this past fall Rowe completed three years of classes to give her enough education and experience points to become both a Registered Municipal Clerk and a Certified Municipal Clerk. The "certified" title requires a higher educational level and is one that is recognized internationally.

**Rowe**

Rowe was tight-lipped about what new opportunities she's looking forward to pursuing, though did say she was not willing to reconsider her resignation.

She wished the village success in the future and thanked those who supported her efforts throughout her career.

*Please see ROWE /A4***Intergovernmental agreement in place**By JULIE MURPHY
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Though budgeting details have been left "loose," the board of directors of the village of Antioch approved a motion to allow the mayor to sign a document creating an intergovernmental agreement with Antioch Township for a parks cooperative.

The agreement will allow the two entities to jointly govern a total of 80 acres at Depot Street, 40 provided to the township by Waste Management and the adjacent 40 acres owned by the village. It will also cover the 30 acres purchased with grant money to the township on Rena Avenue with the hope that the village and township will jointly purchasing the additional 38 acres that had made up the entire 68-acre Rena parcel within the next couple of years.

Trustee Dorothy Larson said

attorneys for both the village and township had been involved in the creation of the six-page agreement and that is a "fair" document.

The stated purpose of the agreement is "to apply for grants, purchase properties, develop, operate and maintain parks for the use and benefit of the citizens of the village and the township."

Trustee Bob Caulfield, chair of the finance committee, asked Larson if a budget had been established.

"No," replied Larson. "I wanted to work with you on that. The township supervisor (Steve Smouse) was concerned because they have a smaller budget. I said we don't mind going slow."

Village attorney Bob Long said the issue of funding had been left very loose to keep it as flexible as possible.

Larson said that through the work to create the agreement, rep-

resentatives of Antioch Viking Football had been in contact with the Great Lakes Naval Base and that it appears likely that the base will donate some unused bleachers for the Depot Street park. Additionally, she said it seems likely that the base would do some grading of the land as it affords training opportunities.

"This is would be a huge expense to be covered," she said.

After the regular village board meeting, Larson said that all of the area sports teams had been notified of the proposed plan of the village and township. She said, "It's for the kids; that's what it's all about."

Township Trustee Claudette Skvarce said that the agreement came together swiftly. She said, "When minds are working together and there is a desire to see something completed, it gets done."

The agreement is binding for 20 years, though it can continue to extend out in 20-year increments.

By JULIE MURPHY
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A section of sidewalk to complete the expanse from the Jewel store on Lake Street to Tiffany is "stuck" and left undone despite earlier promises by the village that it would be finished by the end of last summer.

Village administrator Alan Probst said he had been working with the village attorney Bob Long to create an agreement that would allow for a temporary sidewalk of two inches deep or less. He said the agreement requires the signatures of two property owners, one of which has signed and the other who has not.

Long said the issue is stuck at the lawyer level. He said the second property owner, Mary Cunningham, appears to be willing but her lawyer doesn't see the need.

Long said, "I spoke with Ken Clark and he had doubt that there was such an urgency for this. He was concerned that there was too much to fill in one part, and suggested we look at the north side instead."

Trustee Scott Pierce said, "There are always answers to solve problems." He suggested the village put up barricades in the right-of-way of the road to allow school children and senior citizens a safe place to walk in the road.

Trustee Mary Turner said, "If someone got killed, the barricades would go up, and the sidewalk would go in."

Long said if it was feasible from an engineering standpoint and if it would not create more problems with traffic than it solves for walkers, he thought barricades should be put in place.

He added, "We're trying to get this license agreement. A sidewalk will go in when the property is improved, but right now, we're just stuck."

He told trustees that while he is an officer of the court and is unable to speak with Cunningham directly as she has representation, that there would be nothing to prevent them from doing so.

"I believe with the growth and more traffic, that it is more dangerous," he said.

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Lake County Sheriff's Police Deputies block Grass Lake Road at Ackermann Road following a two-car accident Jan. 2. The morning fog was believed to be a factor.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

4 accidents prove 3 fire stations' worth

By JULIE MURPHY
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Four car accidents occurring in under an hour in the heavy fog on the morning of Jan. 2 prove the value of Antioch's three fire stations.

"With the addition of the third fire station (Grass Lake Road/Route 59) and the members we've added, we were able to respond to all of the calls," said Lt. Chris Lienhardt, information officer with the fire department.

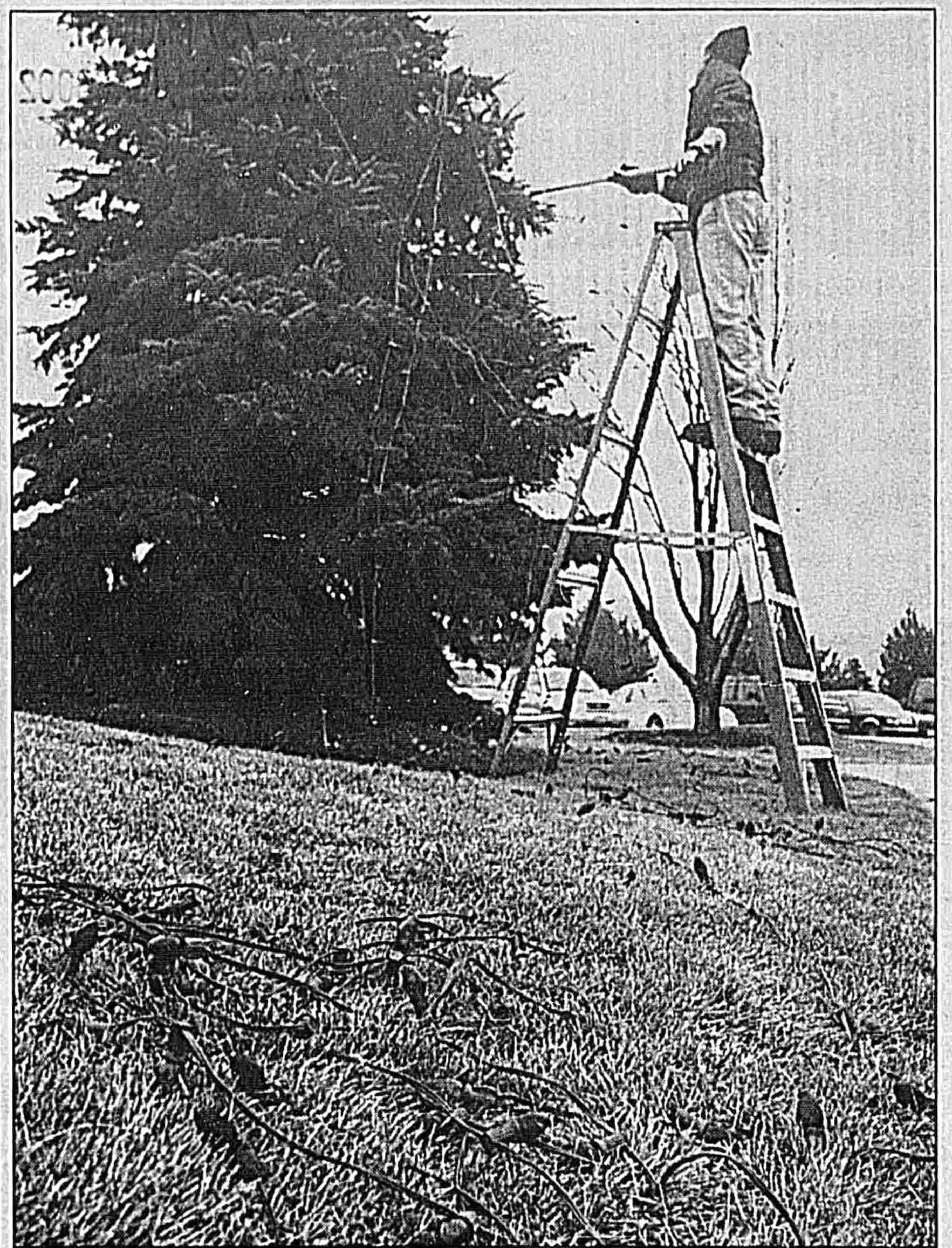
He said all four calls came from different areas of Antioch: the first at 7:59 a.m. in the north at North Avenue and Deep Lake Road; the second at 8:04 a.m. at Route 173 and Route 45 to the east; the third centrally located at Route 59 and Beach Grove Road; and the final

accident to the west at 8:49 a.m. at Grass Lake Road and Ackerman. All of the accidents reportedly were fog related, and none had life-threatening injuries.

"It's unusual to get such a cluster of calls, especially since they had no relation to one another," Lienhardt said.

He added that the department has tried to be proactive and stay ahead of the growth so that it would be able to adequately handle such situations.

Chief Dennis Volling said, "The two satellite stations have proven their worth. The travel time required to answer these calls was reduced, and allowed us to get the necessary equipment to the various locations to handle the situations."



Holiday past

Strands of colorful twinkle lights lay dormant on the ground as Dennis Carroll of the Lindenhurst Park District removes all holiday decorations from the official Christmas tree at the Lindenhurst Park District Community Center.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

Fire Department needs help keeping hydrants clear

Everyone in the community from residents and business owners to snow removal crews can help the Antioch Fire Department by clearing snow away from fire hydrants and keeping a four-foot area around them clear.

"The recent snowfall was the first of the season and the fire department wants to remind everyone that snow-covered hydrants, blocked access routes and covered address markings will slow down the department's response and its ability to provide the necessary emergency service," said Lt. Chris Lienhardt, information officer with the Antioch Fire Department.

He advises that, when possible, sidewalks, driveways and entrances to both residences and businesses should be kept

clear. Snow removal companies are asked to avoid moving snow to the aforementioned areas, as that creates the hazards that the Antioch Fire Department is trying to avoid.

"This is not the last snow of 2004," said Chief Dennis Volling said. "By taking the extra effort, we may all be preventing a tragedy."

If fire hydrants are not marked, or if the marker has been removed, call the fire department at 847-395-5511 so the problem can be remedied.

Lienhardt added, "Shoveling snow can be a very labor intensive process, and anyone who may doubt their physical condition should take it slow and get someone to help you."

New year brings library speakers

By JULIE MURPHY
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Guest speakers are becoming a regular part of the Antioch Public Library's adult program, with the first two for 2004 already scheduled.

Michael Heffernan, of Polson's Natural Foods, will make the first presentation of the year on Monday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. The topic of discussion: "Know Your Therapeutic Herbs."

Jane Connors-Geddes, adult programs coordinator, said, "This is something we're going to be doing routinely. For the coming year, I hope to plan two speakers a month."

She said she chose Heffernan as the year's first speaker as many therapeutic herbs address things like relieving symptoms of the common cold.

Next in the line-up, Cindy Hartzburg, systems administrator from the library will present "How to Buy a Home Computer" on Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. Registration is recommended for this event.

Sharon Yiesla of the University of Illinois' extension office will discuss garden design on Wednesday, Jan. 28 at 7 p.m.

Connors-Geddes said that it's never too early to plan a beautiful garden for the spring growing season.

"She (Yiesla) is very into the native plants that grow naturally in our area," she said. "She'll be presenting a 'how to' on setting up a nice garden for the summer."

Registration is recommended for both programs, and can be done by calling the library at 847-395-0847 and asking for the reference department.

Come Worship With Us A Directory Of Antioch Area Churches

Graceland Baptist Church, 258 Ida St., Antioch, IL. Sunday School 11am., Morning Worship 11am., Sunday Evening 7pm. Robert Williams, Pastor.

First Church of Christ, Scientist & Reading Rm. Rte 173 and Harden, Antioch, Phone (847) 395-1196. Sunday School, Sunday Church Service 10:30am, Wednesday, 7:30pm.

Beautiful Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, worshipping at Antioch/Lake Villa Township Center, 1625 Deep Lake Rd. Pastor Darold Gruen, Phone (847) 265-2450. Sunday Worship at 9am, Sunday School, High School & Adult Bible Classes 10:30am.

Heritage Lutheran Church, Lindenhurst Civic Center, 1949 Old Elm Rd., Lindenhurst. (847) 356-1766. Sunday service 10:00 am, Sunday School & Bible Class 9:00 am. (summer schedule - 9:00 am Sunday) Rev. Mark W. Anderson, Pastor.

St. Ignatius Episcopal, 500 Depot St. Antioch Phone (847) 395-0652. Low Mass 7:30am., High Mass 9:30am Sunday School & Nursery 9:30am. Rev. Vincent Eckholm, Pastor.

Antioch Evangelical Free Church, 750 Highway Dr. Phone (847) 395-4117. Sunday Worship 8:15, 9:30 & 11:00am, Sunday School for all ages, infant thru ad., 9:30am. Children's Church 11am. Awana, Youth, Women's Ministries, Men's Ministries, Growth Groups, Seniors. Senior Pastor David M. Groleau.

St. Stephen Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1155 Hillside Ave. Phone (847) 395-3359. Sunday Worship, 8:00, 9:30, 10:45am. Rev. Roger Black, Pastor. Saturday Worship Service 5:00pm.

Christian Life Fellowship Assemblies of God Church, 41625 Deep Lake Rd., Antioch. Phone (847) 395-8572. Sunday School (all ages) 9am., Sunday Morning Worship 10am., Children's Church 10am., Sunday Evening Worship 6:30pm., Wednesday Worship & Children's Program 7am., Tues. Women's Fellowship & Bible Study 9-11:30am. Jeff Brussa, Pastor.

Antioch Baptist Church, 817 Holbeck Dr., Antioch. Phone (847) 769-5332. Sunday Morning Worship 10:15am., Sunday evening Service 6:00pm., Wednesday Bible Study 7:00pm. Pastor Ken Foster.

Faith Evangelical Lutheran, 1275 Main St., Phone (847) 395-1660. Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30am., Sunday School 9:25am., Mon. Worship 7:00pm Pastors Gregory Hermanson & Aaron Christie. Christian Day School (847) 395-1664.

Millburn Congregational United Church of Christ, Grass Lake Rd. at Rte. 45. Phone (847) 356-5237. Sunday Service 10am. Children's Program 10am. Rev. Paul R. Meltzer, Pastor.

Antioch United Methodist Church, 848 Main St., Antioch, Phone (847) 395-1259. Rev. Gary Curl, Pastor. Sunday Worship 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Children's church and Sunday School. Adult Groups at 9:15 a.m. Nursery care for children through 3 years of age from 8 to 11:30 a.m.

St. Peter's Church, 557 W. Lake St., Antioch. Phone (847) 395-0274. Masses weekdays, 7:30am; Sunday 6:30, 8, 9:30, 11:30am & Saturday 5:30pm. Rev. Father Ronald H. Anglim, Pastor.

Chain of Lakes Community Bible Church, 23201 W. Grass Lake Rd., Antioch, Phone (847) 838-0103. Sunday Worship 8:15 and 11:00. Sunday School 9:45. Children's Church 11:00. Youth, Women's, Awana & Small Group ministries.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Missouri Synod), 25100 W. Grand Ave. (Rte. 59 & 132), Lake Villa. (847) 356-5158. Sunday Worship 8:15 & 10:45am; Sunday School (3 and up) and Bible Study 9:30am. Christian Preschool. Rev. John Zellmer, Pastor.

Lighthouse Church of Antioch, 554 Parkway Ave., Antioch, IL (847) 838-0616. Saturday Evening Service 7:00 p.m. Adventure Club for Kids, Adult Bible Study Saturday Evening 6:00 p.m. Monday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Thursday Evening PTSD Support Group 7:00 p.m. Senior Pastor Tom Bartmer.

NorthBridge Church, A Contemporary Worship Experience. Meeting at Antioch Community High School, 1133 Main St., Antioch, (847) 838-9370, www.northbridgechurch.org. Service Sunday - 10:30am, Children's Classes (K-5) - 10:30 am. Mark Albrecht, Senior Pastor.

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Samantha Ney and her father Greg anxiously await their sundaes at the Daddy Daughter Dance sponsored by the Antioch parks department last year. Tickets for this year's event are now on sale at the Parks Department office.

Don't miss on hot tix

By JULIE MURPHY
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For those who would like to take their sweethearts out for an evening of fun, the daddy/daughter dance is scheduled in February. Tickets will be on sale to residents from Jan. 5-18.

The dance is organized by the Antioch parks department, and has been for about 15 years. The event is to take place on Feb. 7 from 7-9 p.m., and is held at the Antioch Upper Grade School. The doors will not open until 6:45 p.m.

Director Laurie Stahl said, "This is our most popular event, and tickets sell quickly. Last year some people were disappointed because tickets are not for sale at the door."

She reported that residents

were lined up at the door for the first day of ticket sales.

"This is one event that you don't want to wait to get your tickets; get them early," she said.

The cost is \$10 per couple for residents and \$5 for an additional daughter attending.

The price of admission includes ice cream sundaes, punch, a souvenir picture and corsages for the girls.

Tickets become available to non-residents on Jan. 19. The cost is \$20 per couple, but the price for an additional daughter remains \$5.

"This is really a fun dance," said Stahl. "Everyone has a good time."

Tickets will be available at the parks office located at 806 Holbek St. until all the tickets are sold. The phone number is 847-395-2160.

New ice rinks vandalized

By JULIE MURPHY
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There were no footprints in the snow leading to Antioch's two new ice skating rinks in Centennial Park. The two stand unused, first because of a lack of freezing weather, but now because they have been vandalized.

"It's frustrating," said Chris Lienhardt, parks board president. "We work hard and try to provide as many opportunities as possible, and a couple of bad apples have to spoil it. Between the warm weather and kids who are up to no good, these new rinks are left unused."

Parks Director Laurie Stahl said chunks of ice have been chipped out of the ice leaving divots. Prior to the water freezing, items, including edge bumpers pulled off the side edging of rinks, had been thrown into the water and are now frozen in place.

"I talked to the Public Works Department," she said. "It's uncertain whether the liner has been damaged, but these brand new rinks were abused before they could be used."

She said the yellow bumpers are made of material similar to the "noodles" used in swimming pools and float with the result being that the ice

now has yellow pieces marring the surface. Because the material is sticking up and cannot be skated over, the surface is unsuitable for skating.

In concurrence with Lienhardt, Stahl said, "I'm quite aggravated. These kids ask for stuff, and then a couple of spoiled sports have to go and ruin it." Lienhardt recommended that anyone who sees vandalism going in one of Antioch's parks call

the Antioch Police Department at its non-emergency number 847-395-8585. Damage that has already occurred should be reported to the parks department 847-395-2160.

"We have to be accountable for any money we spend as a governing body," Lienhardt said. "The best and quickest way to remedy these problems is to report them when you see them happening."



New ice rinks at Centennial Park in Antioch lay unused and filled with snow after vandals tore off the rinks' yellow bumpers and left them in the water before the temperature hit freezing. The bumpers are stuck in the now-frozen ice, making the surface impossible for skating.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

General Assembly scholarships available

By JULIE MURPHY
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Students pursuing an education at one of the Illinois state universities in the fall of 2004 should consider applying for one of the eight scholarships that will be granted by Rep. JoAnn Osmond (R-Antioch).

To be qualified for on the Illinois General Assembly Public Affairs Scholarships, students must reside within the 61st Legislative District and received acceptance into one of the state universities as a full-time student for the school year beginning in the fall of 2004.

Linda Pedersen, legislative aide to Osmond, said, "The scholarships include full tuition, including summer school, but do not include the costs of room and board. Four of the scholarships are earmarked for students who will be attending the University of Illinois, while the other four scholarships are for schools like Northern

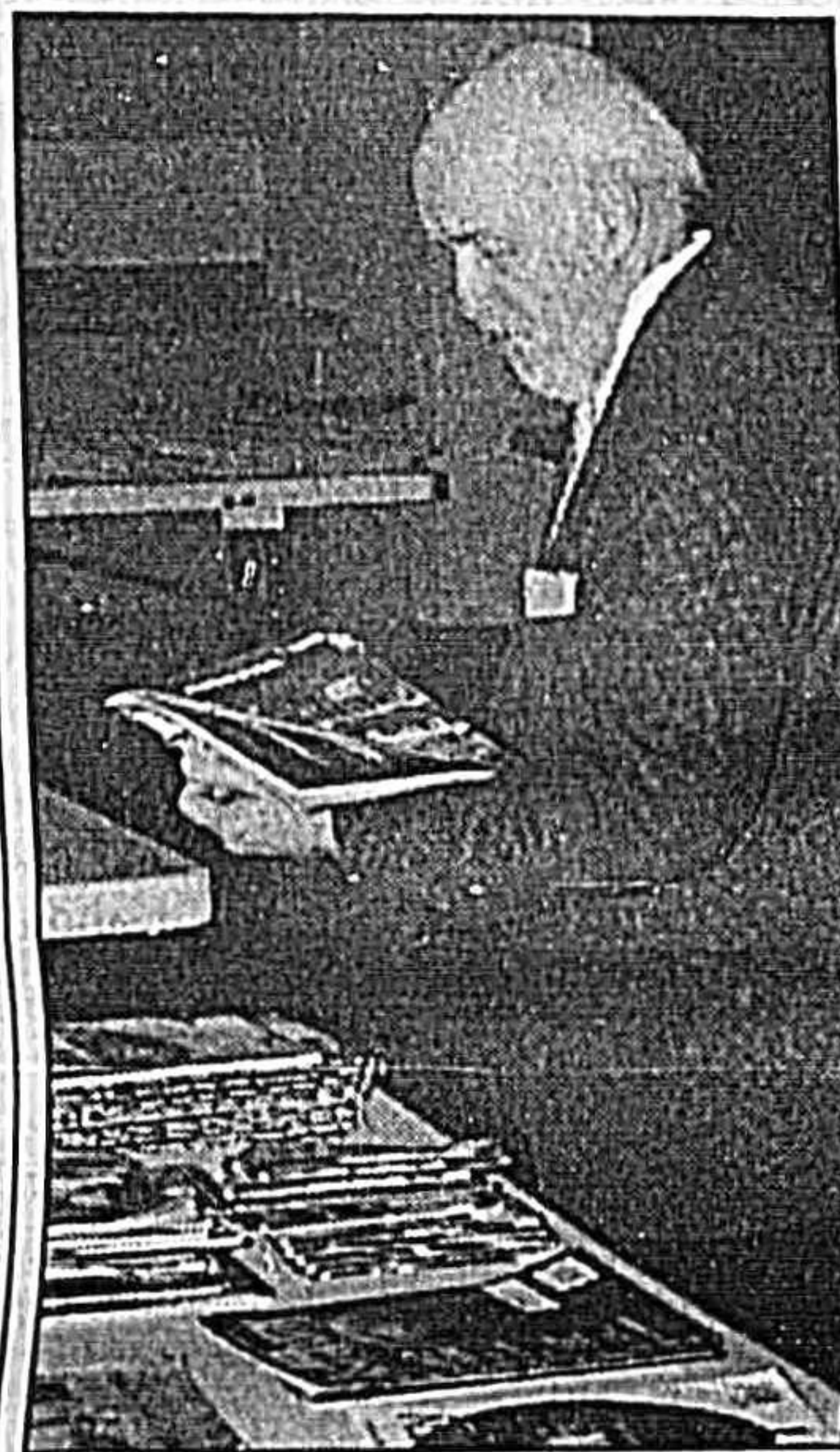
and Western."

Pedersen said at the time of application that students would be asked to submit grades and transcripts as well as information about participation in extra-curricular activities and community service. Those interested in applying should call Osmond's Antioch office at 847-838-6200.

The deadline to return applications is April 1. A scholarship committee of six, selected by Osmond, will choose the eight scholarship recipients from all of the applications received. Announcements will be made in time for a formal scholarship presentation during the high schools' awards programs in May.

Eligibility is not limited to current high school students. College students are eligible as well.

"The only limiting factor is that these scholarships are for Illinois State schools," said Pedersen. "It's great that summer school is included, as with a lot of scholarships it's not."



Many mags

Bob Gagnon of Antioch looks through stacks of magazines for sale at the Lake Villa District Library's annual "Great Magazine Sale."— Photo by J.W. Sternick

PM&L sings to raise money

PM&L has something different planned for the new year, and hopes to raise some extra funds to keep it operating at its best. It's hosting a fund raiser called "Winter Wonderland Concert" that will feature mainly Broadway show tunes on Jan. 10 at 8 p.m.

"We have a magical, musical evening planned," said Betty Smouse, publicity director. "The show will last approximately two hours and will have an intermission with refreshments."

The concert will feature many of PM&L's regular singers and pianists.

Tracy Kiederlen of Antioch, Murry Holmstrom of Bristol, Wis., and Paul Bleadow of Kenosha, Wis. will take turns at the piano.

Antioch singers include Donna Abear, Ken and Betty Smouse, Fran and Trish Jansta, Michelle Self and Roz Ohlinger. Additionally, Alice Byrne and Jim Olson, of Pleasant Prairie, Wis.; Mark and Donna Badtke, of Genoa City, Wis.; Josh



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and Mary St. John, of Round Lake Beach; Lori Jo Metz, of Gurnee; Mary Campbell, of Palatine; Bob Wang, of Bristol, Wis.; and Chris Jones, of Lindenhurst will contribute to the vocals.

Reservations can be made beginning on Jan. 5. Box office hours are Monday through Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. on the night of the show.

"This should be a fun evening," Betty said. "Help keep PM&L singing, dancing and acting - live on Main Street."

PM&L is also the location of the Antioch Township Republican Club fund raiser featuring a night at the

theater presenting "On Golden Pond" on Jan. 31 at 7 p.m.

The evening will include food and wine in addition to entertainment and is limited to 140 tickets.

Sponsorship and ticket information is as follows: golden sponsorship at \$250 includes playbill recognition and four tickets; silver sponsorship at \$100 includes playbill recognition and two tickets; bronze sponsorship at \$50 includes playbill recognition. Ticket price is \$25 each.

Please send sponsorship information along with a check made payable to the Antioch Township Republican Club by Jan. 15 to: Linda Mueller, 26615 W. Stonegate, Antioch, IL 60002.

For more information call Mueller at 847-838-2001.

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Julie Murphy at 847-223-8161, ext. 600 or e-mail, moorfie@ix.netcom.com

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"More importantly, I would like to thank the citizens of Antioch for the privilege of working for them. I have met many wonderful people in our community whether it was at local businesses, at the Village Hall or attending board meetings. This has been the bright spot of my career, encouraged me to be the best village clerk that I could be and has made me a better person for knowing them."

Trustee Mary Turner said she was both personally and professionally devastated by Rowe's resignation, and added that it's the residents who will suffer most.

"We're going to miss you a great deal," she said. "We need to do some exit interviews and find out why these people are leaving."

Maravelas went on the defensive. "At all levels of government this happens; it's not just here."

The mayor insinuated that in all cases those who left were somewhat lesser and that all replacements had been improvements. "What we have now is better than what we inherited two and a half years ago," he said.

Turner countered that the village had had some "very well-educated and professional people" and that it was necessary to find out why they wanted to leave. In several cases, those who have packed their bags were appointees of the mayor's.

Trustee Bob Caulfield said, "I don't think we should discount the fact that some very talented people have left. I don't think it's fair to prejudice why these people are leaving. Sometimes you have to be happy for these people. Some are leaving to better themselves."

Trustee Dorothy Larson said she thought the board owed it to the residents to find out why top employees are leaving the village so it can better serve the residents. Maravelas said he "didn't have time" for things like exit interviews or to concern himself with the satisfaction of village employees.

Larson defended her position and said, "We're on the third administrator in two and a half years. We need to look at what's happening and find out why."

Trustee Scott Pierce said Rowe had been given an exit interview "today" (Jan. 5). "Her inputs were given to the mayor," he said.

Larson said she had been unaware of the exit interview and said she thought the board should be privy to the information obtained during it.

The Village of Antioch is one of the few municipalities in which the position of clerk is appointed and not elected.

**We've got spirit...how 'bout you?**

Antioch Upper Grade School's Dance and Spirit team performs at an all-school assembly in preparation for "Pack the Gym" held on Jan. 8. Pictured (left to right) are Mignon Rademan, Heather Bednar, Stefanny Elias, Megan McDonald and Mary DeBoer. The team is coached by Amanda Tocha and Shari Roehl.

SCHOOL DIGEST**District 34 hosts referendum kick-off**

Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 lost its Educational Fund referendum last spring, but is hoping measures will be approved this spring. Without an increase, the district will have to consider cutting programs to prevent deficit spending in the future.

A kick-off event has been scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 10 at 10 a.m. in the cafeteria of the Antioch Upper Grade School. Childcare will be provided for school-age children.

The election will be held on March 16.

The district is encouraging concerned citizens, parents and school staff to attend the meeting "to learn more about the referendum and join in the effort."

A Budget Advisory Reduction Committee has been established and is reportedly in the process of discussing cuts that "will result in the loss of many programs that are well respected and well established."

Voter registration will be a feature of this informal meeting. Those who are either new to the district, or otherwise unregistered, are encouraged to do so.

Historical society offers scholarships

The Lakes Region Historical Society is offer-

ing a \$1,000 scholarship to those who are interested in pursuing history or museum-related fields at the college level.

Information packets are available at the School House Museum, the high school guidance office or by calling scholarship chair Regina Reynolds at 847-838-0564.

Applicants will be required to complete a 20-hour service project through the historical society. Those eligible for the scholarship include high school seniors, current college students, individuals going back to school and graduate level students.

The money can be used for either books or tuition.

2004 high school board meetings scheduled

Regular meetings for the remainder of the school year (2004) are as follows: Jan. 22, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; Feb. 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; March 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; March 18, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; April 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; April 15, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; May 20, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; June 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; June 17, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office.

Meetings are always held on Thursday

AUGS works to keep students safe

As part of its efforts to keep students safe, the Antioch Upper Grade School (AUGS) allowed the canine units from the Antioch Police Department and the Lake County Sheriff's office completed an all-school locker search while students were safely in classes on Dec. 12. No contraband was found and no indicators were recognized.

Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 believes that school safety is dependent on every child being connected to at least one caring adult, and that students feel safe with informing adults when dangerous items are brought to school.

Everyday security at AUGS includes the following: keeping all doors locked; staff and students are trained to direct visitors to the main entrance; there is a doorbell simplex security system at main entrance; visitor badges are issued and sign-in is required; staff carries picture identification; security swipe cards and an alarm code is in place.

Additionally, the district enforces zero-tolerance policy with regard to harassment and intimidation and has a security hotline at 847-838-8381. Anyone with questions or concerns may call Eric Skoog, principal, at 847-838-8310.

evenings and rotate between the library of Antioch Community High School (ACHS) and the district office located in the Antioch-Lake Villa Township Center on Deep Lake Road, just north of Grass Lake Road, in Lake Villa.

Yearbook staff seeks pictures

Emmons School yearbook staff welcomes submitted pictures from parents, grandparents, friends or siblings that show Emmons students and that would be appropriate for the yearbook.

The staff asks that pictures be clear and not blurry. Pictures will not be returned so do not send anything that will be missed or for which there is not a duplicate.

Pictures should be sent to the school via students or regular mail to: Yearbook Pictures, Emmons School, 24226 W. Beach Grove Road, Antioch, IL 60002.

Early childhood screening

Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 offers early childhood developmental screening. Parents with concerns should consider this. Developmental screening is a brief series of activities and observations designed to identify children who may have a potential problem that requires further assessment.

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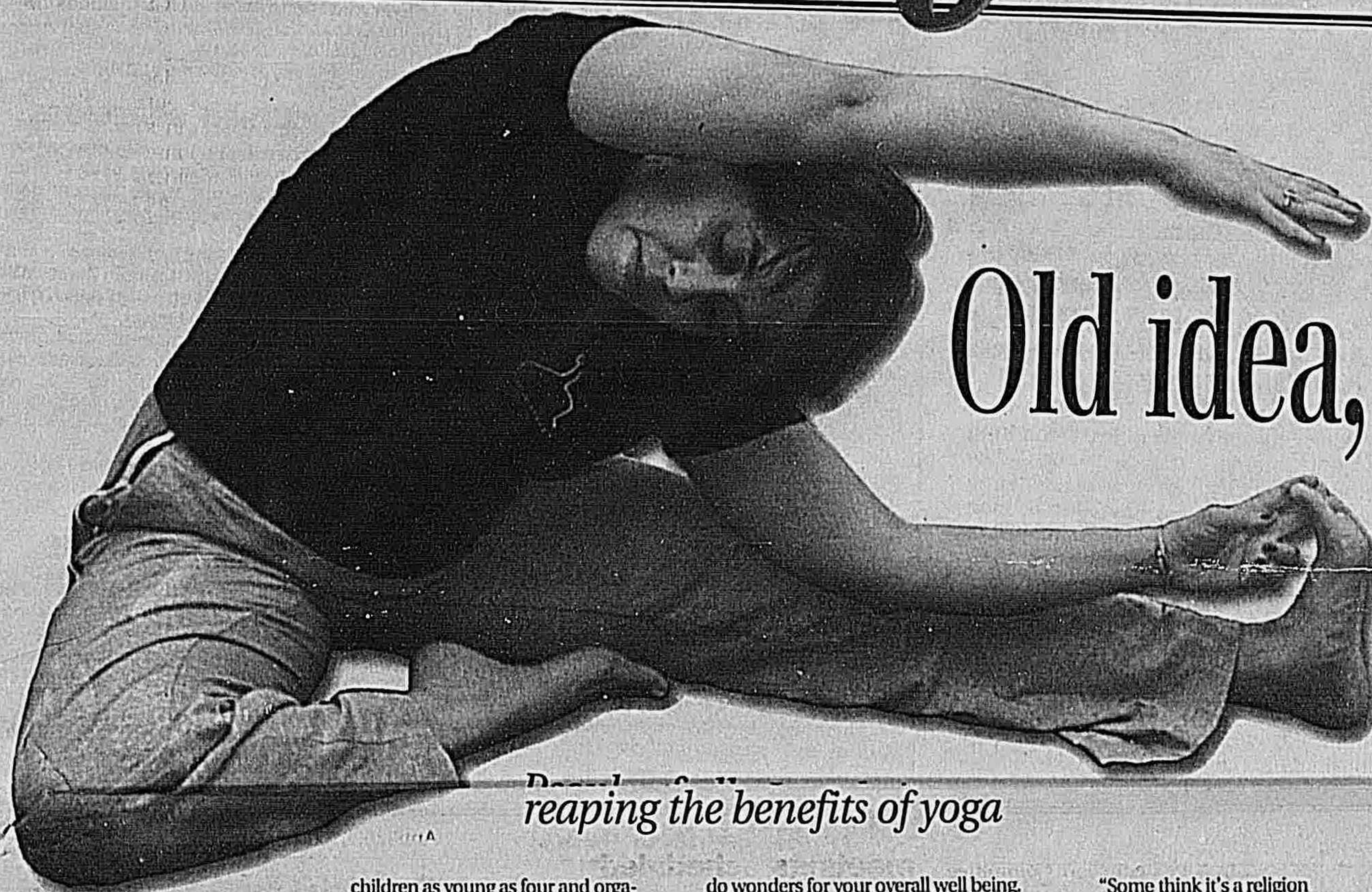
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Old idea, new twist

(left and center) Neelima Panekh works on her poses under the guidance of Silvia Mordini at Total Body Yoga in Vernon Hills.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

reaping the benefits of yoga

By CORINNE REYNOLDS
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What do Lake County high school football players, golf experts, kindergartners, pregnant women, bodybuilders, housewives and senior citizens have in common?

They're all getting hooked on yoga, and reaping the diverse benefits of this ancient fitness and wellness practice.

Yoga classes are becoming more available all over Lake County. In addition to a few area yoga centers, many traditional fitness clubs such as the YMCA offer yoga instruction. Area park districts including those in Gurnee, Grayslake and Mundelein have jumped on the bandwagon to offer the popular classes.

"The suburbs are really starting to catch up," said Ruth Ann Grant, an instructor at Total Body Yoga in Vernon Hills. "The awareness is growing."

Grant and the other instructors at the center have seen this awareness firsthand among young, old, male and female participants alike.

Sylvia Mordini, owner of Total Body Yoga, said the number of men trying yoga is increasing. She estimates that 35 percent of those who walk through her doors are male.

"Men come for various reasons," Mordini said. She sees a lot of "stressed out execs," fitness buffs, and even those wanting to improve their golf game.

Total Body's prenatal classes have also been popular. The low-impact workout appeals to expectant mothers.

In addition to offering classes for adults, Total Body offers classes for

children as young as four and organizes outreach workshops for area high schools.

"Kids take to it so well," Mordini said, adding that kids of all ages love trying something new and creative at the classes. The center has even held wildly popular kids' birthday parties.

Total Body has done workshops with the Vernon Hills football team, basketball team and pom-pom squad that have really caught on.

Mordini received great feedback from the captain of the Vernon Hills football team.

"He said he may not be playing football his whole life, but he would keep practicing yoga," Mordini said. "He said he's never been more relaxed."

Sandy Hayward's son is on the team, and he benefited from yoga following a knee injury.

When asked about whether the football players are embarrassed about doing yoga, Hayward said, "Well, the boys come to the power class."

She's referring to the power yoga style, which emphasizes more movement and intensity than other types of yoga.

Hayward recently learned her 75-year-old father-in-law does yoga. "He's been doing it for 35 years and he never told me!" she said.

Grant echoed Mordini's comments about yoga being a great activity for all ages. "There's no age limit on yoga, and I think that's the wonderful thing about it," she said.

Benefits for all

Regardless of the style of yoga or age of the yogi, the benefits are numerous.

Advocates of the practice say it will

do wonders for your overall well being. They boast reduced stress, increased energy, and an overall state of relaxation and calm from the breathing-focused practice. People even say it has made them more patient and better able to concentrate.

Katie Larson started doing yoga about three months ago, and has been thrilled with the overall benefits.

"It's a good stress release," Larson said. "Things at work that might have stressed me out before don't (any more). I just look at things differently now."

Other benefits are the obvious physical ones, such as increased flexibility, muscle toning and weight loss.

Yoga complements those who run and weight-lift by lengthening muscles and increasing flexibility, according to Mordini.

Yoga even claims to stimulate healing and the releasing of toxins from the body.

"You're physically massaging your internal organs," with some of the poses, Mordini said, which aids in digestion and weight loss.

In addition, the practical benefits can not be ignored, such as calming down parents who get stressed out when dealing with children.

One of Mordini's clients once told her, "My children think I'm a better dad," since starting yoga.

She added, "A day doesn't go by without someone calling or e-mailing (to say) what a difference it's made in their lives."

Misconceptions

Although more people are trying yoga all the time, Mordini says there are still myths surrounding the practice.

"Some think it's a religion and will interfere with their beliefs," Mordini said.

Many types of yoga include meditation, but Mordini calls this "quiet time" that can benefit everyone. "It certainly doesn't interfere with beliefs," she said.

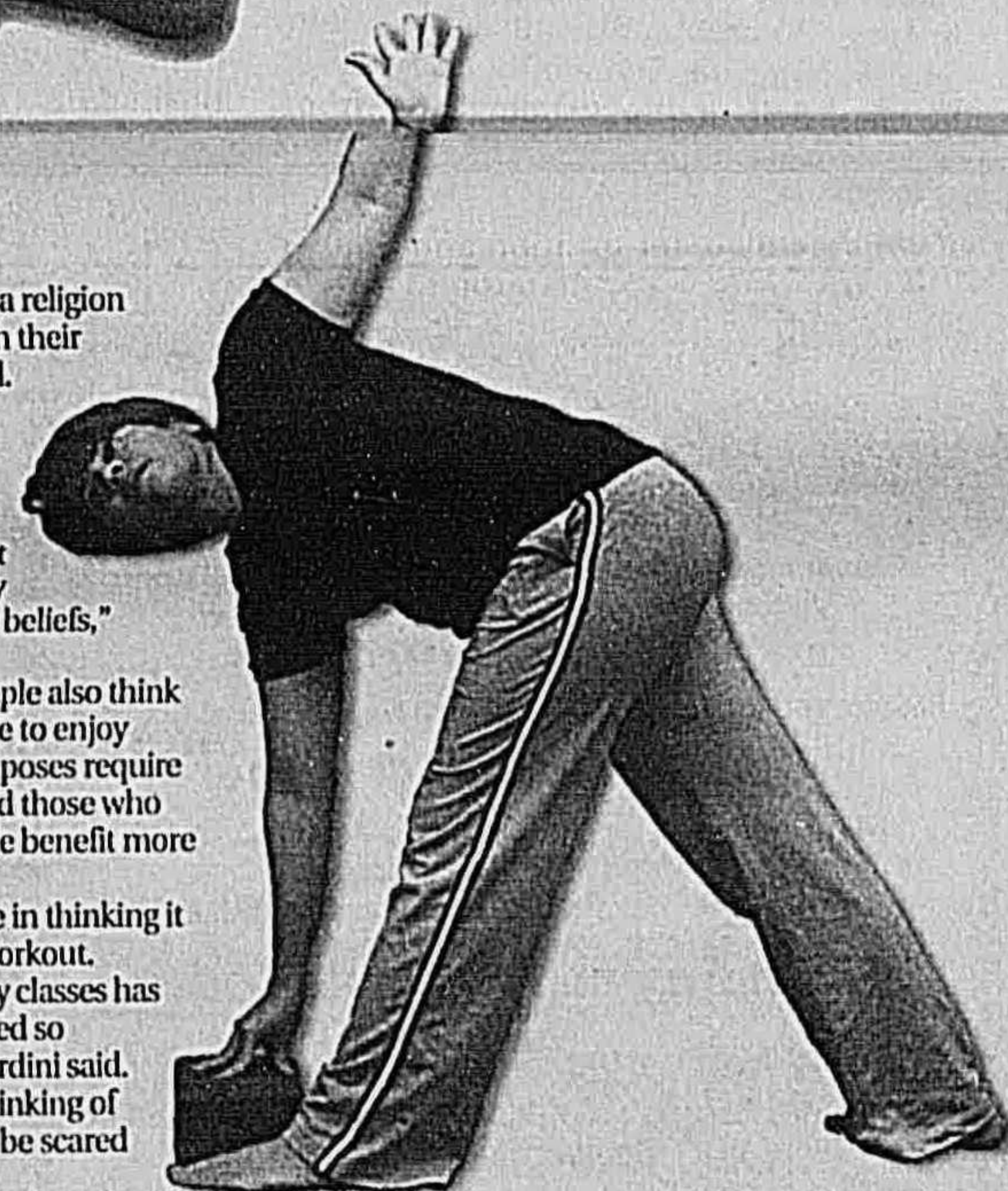
Mordini said people also think they have to be flexible to enjoy yoga. Although many poses require flexibility, Mordini said those who aren't naturally flexible benefit more than those who are.

People also come in thinking it won't be much of a workout.

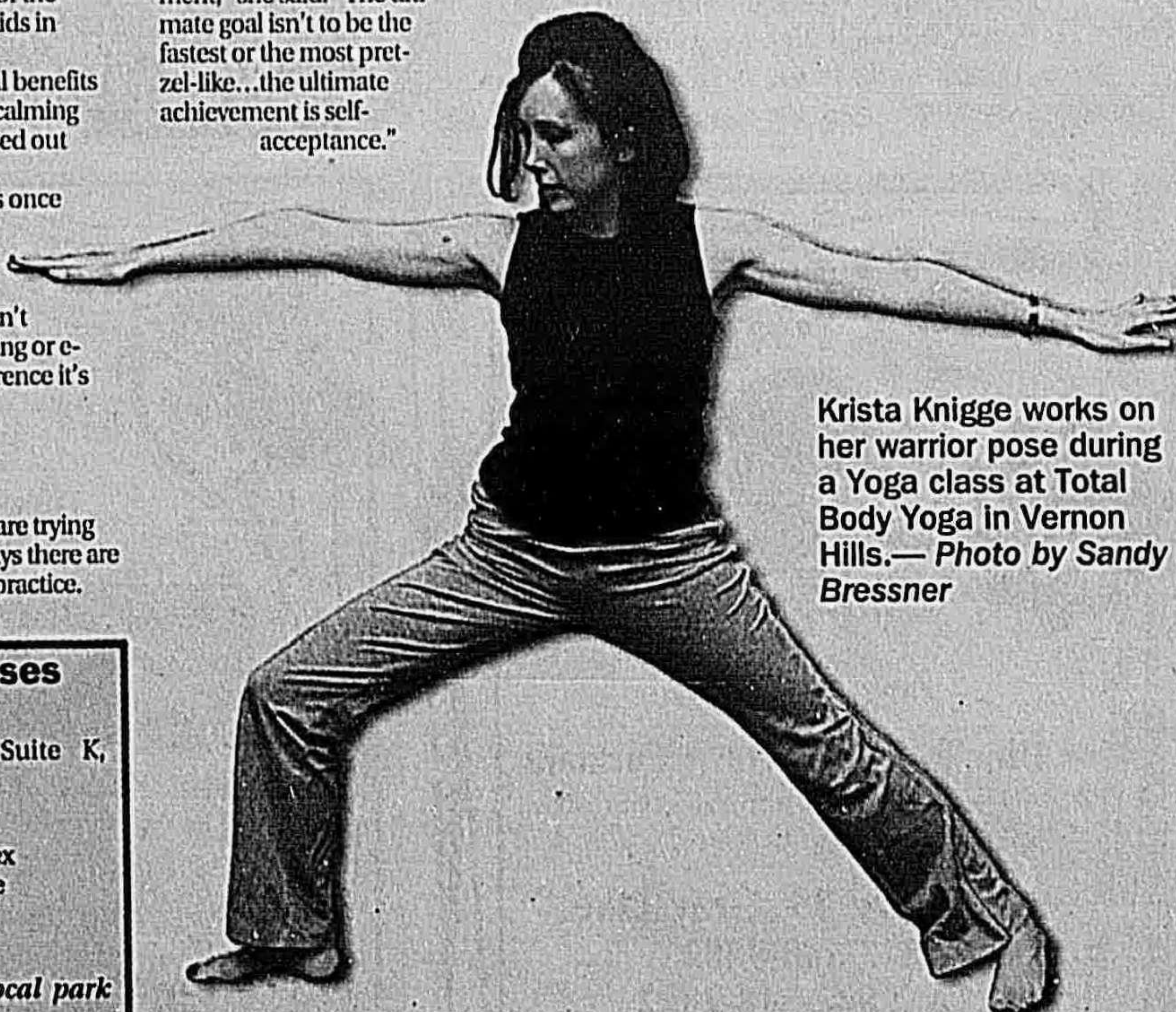
"Every man in my classes has said, 'I've never sweated so much in my life,'" Mordini said.

She said those thinking of trying yoga shouldn't be scared of the discipline.

"There's not this judgment," she said. "The ultimate goal isn't to be the fastest or the most pretzel-like...the ultimate achievement is self-acceptance."



Krista Knigge works on her warrior pose during a Yoga class at Total Body Yoga in Vernon Hills.— Photo by Sandy Bressner



Some local yoga centers and fitness centers offering yoga classes

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SPECIAL EVENT

Shed the winter blues with PM&L's 'Winter Wonderland Concert'



Stars of PM&L rehearse for the "Winter Wonderland Concert," a fund-raiser for PM&L Theatre. (from left) Donna Badtke, Mark Badtke, Mary Campbell, Josh St. John, and Murry Holmstrom at the piano.

A good cure for the January "blahs" comes in the form of PM&L's "Winter Wonderland Concert," which will take place Saturday, Jan. 10, at 8 p.m. at the PM&L Theatre, 877 Main St., in Antioch. Call 847-3953055 for reservations. All tickets are \$10.

This concert is a fund-raiser for PM&L and features 18 PM&L vocalists singing Broadway tunes, many from past musicals and some from the upcoming "Babes in Arms." Vocalists are Donna Abear, Fran and Trish Jansta, Ken and Betty Smouse, Michelle Self, and Roz Ohlinger, all from

Antioch; Alice Byrne and Jim Olson from Pleasant Prairie; Mark and Donna Badtke from Genoa City; Ken Scheske and Lorrie Ferguson of Salem; Josh and Mary St. John of Round Lake Beach; Mary Campbell of Palatine; Bob Wang of Bristol; and Chris Jones of Lindenhurst. Pianists are Tracy Kiederland of Antioch, Paul Bleadow of Kenosha, and Murry Holmstrom of Bristol.

Plan a fun, informal evening with friends and family, and help PM&L celebrate, "There's No Business Like Show Business"... Live On Main Street.

Music

Here comes the sun

Concerts Royaux recreates the glory of Versailles, the palace of the 18th century French King Louis XIV, as part of the Early Music Series at Prairie Crossing's Byron Colby Barn in Grayslake on Sunday, Jan. 11 at 4 p.m. The Sun King reigned supreme, employing a huge consort of musicians and dancers performing in lavish court ballets. On woodwind and wire, Concerts Royaux plays the sounds of Gallic airs, chaconnes and dances. The concert will feature Anita Rieder playing baroque flute, Craig Trompeter on viola da gamba and Peter Swenson performing on theorbo.

Tickets are \$15 at the door; children under 16 are free. RSVP by calling 847-543-1202.

The Byron Colby Barn is in Grayslake, just south of Route 120, on the west side of Route 45.

Free jazz

Last year, Midwest Young Artists (MYA) joined The Chicago Consortium of Community Music Schools, which is committed to improving the quality of life through the study of music by increasing opportunities for all people in the Chicago area to study music.

Member music schools include the Old Town School of Folk Music, Sherwood Academy, Merit School of Music, the People's Music School, Music Arts School, the Suzuki-Orff School for Young Musicians, the Music Institute of Chicago, Hyde Park Suzuki Institute, Chicago West Community Music Center and Lathrop Community Music Center. The consortium will present its second annual free concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 11, at Preston-Bradley Hall of the Chicago Cultural Center.

Representing MYA will be one of its smoothest jazz combos including Ben Feltner, bass from Buffalo Grove; Betty Lee, piano from Glenview; Sean Lowecki, drums from Libertyville; Jake Zuehl, trumpet from Wilmette; and Greg Lindgren, saxophone from Deerfield, performing Charlie Parker's famed "Scrapple from the Apple."

Events

Come have a ball

Cong. Am Echod (Reform) has planned its first annual "Sno-Ball." This evening of dancing, food and fun will be at The Country Squire in Grayslake, Sunday, Jan. 18, from 4:30-8:30 p.m.

There will be live music, hors d'oeuvres, desserts, and beverages throughout the evening.

All are included in the \$18 (\$20 at door) per person reservation. A cash bar will also be available. There will also be babysitting available for children in grades 1-5 at Am Echod West for a \$10 fee that includes pizza, crafts, and a movie.

Call 847-336-9110 or e-mail amechod@aol.com for more information or to make reservations.

Rejuvenate your mind

On Jan. 17 you are invited to join with other W.O.M.E.N. (Welcoming, Overcoming, Mentoring, Encouraging, Navigating) at the special event "Rejuvenating the Whole Woman: Body, Mind, & Soul," to be held at Lord of Glory Church in Grayslake.

The topic will be presented by well-known speaker and author Kathy Dice of Port Hope Ministries (former Director of Women's Ministry for Willow Creek Community Church). The singing/songwriting team of two sisters known as, "Two4ONE," will perform.

Continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Program 9 a.m.-noon. Nominal event fee of \$5. Childcare will be provided. Lord of Glory Church is located at 607 W. Belvidere Road, Grayslake.

Call 847-548-5673 for more information.

Laugh yourself senseless

The Byron Colby Barn at Prairie Crossing presents live stand-up comedy starring national touring comic Richard Halasz and Milwaukee comedian Tanya Atkinson. The event takes place Friday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m.

Halasz is a 20-year veteran in the comedy scene, having worked with the likes of Warren Zevon, Will Durst and Leon Redbone. With his quick and edgy wit you will love his take on all topics.

Tanya Atkinson uses her upbeat Midwestern humor to wind tales about what it is like to grow up confused and stay confused.

Pay at the door, \$15 cash or check. RSVP to Stan Rosenberg at 847-543-1202. As always these live entertainment events are "BYOB."

The Byron Colby Barn is located in Grayslake, just south of Route 120 on the west side of Route 45. Enter at the light of Jones Point Road.

Good time, good cause

Invalidate your senses at "A Grapevine of Friends" wine tasting and art show, to be hosted by Friends of Clearbrook on Saturday, Feb. 21, at Stonegate Conference & Banquet Centre in Hoffman Estates. Share an evening of friends, fine wine and fabulous food, while listening to the music

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of the Roy Vombrack Jazz Quintet.

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To reserve your tickets for this extraordinary event, contact Stacey Cohen at 847-385-5005 or e-mail scohen@clearbrook.org.

Workshops

EnGarde!

A fun and exciting new fencing instruction course for adult beginners will be held on Wednesdays through March 24 at the Gorton Community Center in Lake Forest.

Fencing is a unique sport that's great for recreation, fitness, or competition. The ancient Egyptians began the custom of fencing for sport as early as 1200 B.C., and it is now popular worldwide. Fencing develops balance, coordination, and leg strength while pushing the mind to analyze the situation and develop a course of action. It has been described as chess with muscles. This class is designed to establish a strong basis for new fencers. Footwork, basic blade actions, and the conduct of a fencing bout will be part of this program.

Fencing equipment will be provided. Wear comfortable clothing that you can move in and sneakers. Space is limited.

Interested participants should register in advance. For further information or to receive a program booklet, call 847-234-6060, visit the Web site at www.gortoncenter.org, or stop by the Gorton office, located at 400 East Illinois Road, Lake Forest, between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Find your roots

If you are a beginning genealogist, the Lake Villa District Library collection is perfect for you. The collection contains many practical how-to guides. Do you know that a lot of information is now available online? LVDL has a database, Ancestry Plus, that has a surprising amount of information in it. For instance, patrons can now search the 1930 census with this database. The U.S. census remains one of the basic resources for information.

The library staff would like to recommend a recent book, "Finding Answers in U.S. Census Records" by Loretta Szucs and Matthew Wright, as a good place to learn about the information found in the census. Patrons may also want to use

AncestryPlus to search the holdings of the Social Security Administration, which released millions of records of deceased individuals.

On Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m., LVDL staff member and genealogy expert Shannon Kurtz will speak on the topic "Genealogy 101: Research Techniques."

Her program is a lead in program to a program that will take place Saturday, March 20, at 10 a.m., when LVDL will host Bro. Joseph Martin who will speak on "Are Your Ancestors on the Internet?" Martin is the assistant to the president at Lewis University near Joliet. As author, educator and public speaker, he has been exploring his family history since 1970 and has traveled to Poland to conduct on-site research about his ancestors.

Lake Villa District Library is located at 1001 East Grand Ave. in Lake Villa. Ask the adult reference desk for more information, or call 847-356-7711.

Groups

Voices wanted

Riverport Chorus, under the direction of Cathie Zimmerman, is planning a special guest orientation beginning Monday, Jan. 12, and continuing on Jan. 19 and 26.

Riverport Chorus is eager to show you why we could be a wonderful addition to your life. With seven regional championships to members' credit, the group is headed back to regional competition this spring and needs your voice to help them capture their eighth regional title.

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Art

Pretty as a picture

The Community Library in Salem, Wis., 24615 89th Street, will feature an ongoing display that will change each month to display a different local artist's work.

Vincent Boarinni will be featured in the month of January. Mr. Boarinni's oil paintings are currently displayed in the library conference room. His paintings will be on display for the entire month of January.

For more information, call 262-843-3348.

'The Art and Soul of Quilting'

A Juried National Quilt Exhibition is coming to the Anderson Arts Center, 121 66th Street in Kenosha, Wis., for 10 weeks beginning Jan. 18 and continuing through March 28.

Eighty-seven art quilts created by 49 artists from all over the nation will be on display in the Main, East and Upper galleries of the Anderson Arts Center. The Selections and Awards Juror for the exhibition is Ann Fahl. Ann Fahl is a prizewinning quilter who has exhibited her quilts in competitions and exhibitions in the U.S. and abroad. She is also a freelance writer, teacher and lecturer on the subject of quilting.

"When I first saw all the work submitted for 'The Art and Soul of Quilting,' it was a visually delightful experience," Fahl said. "There was a wide variety of color, texture, thread, paint and ideas. It was literally a feast for my eyes. The job of narrowing the selection was challenging. I wanted to choose the best of what was submitted. The quilts seemed to sort themselves out as I viewed them again and again. Strength of composition, color usage and technique were the factors that helped to narrow the field," she said.

The exhibition coordinator is Kay Sorensen, also a nationally known quilt expert and prizewinning quilter. Said Sorensen, "In the 11 years since it opened, the Anderson Arts Center has developed into a gallery worthy of national attention. When I was asked to co-chair a quilt show for the center in 2004, I didn't hesitate

to say yes. It was obvious the Anderson Arts Center was ready for a spectacular national Juried Art Quilt Show. This show will bring the residents of Kenosha County and the surrounding area a show of the quality you would see in a large metropolitan area."

Cash awards will be presented during the opening reception for the National Juried Quilt Exhibition on Sunday, Jan. 18, at the center from 1:30-4 p.m. Prizes of \$1,000 for Best of Show; \$750 for the Award of Excellence, sponsored by Husqvarna/Viking, Inc. & Sew'n Save of Racine Inc.; and \$500 for Most Innovative Use of the Medium, sponsored by P & B Fabrics Inc. will be awarded at the opening reception. At the conclusion of the exhibition, the winner of the Viewers' Choice Award, sponsored by Free Spirit Fabrics Inc. will receive a cash award of \$200.

Also on Jan. 18, "Colors in Winter," baskets by Jan Putra, a Racine, Wis.-based artist will be on display in the 3-D Gallery at the Anderson Arts Center.

A two-person show entitled "Exploring," will feature the work of Betty Kidern and Sally G. Miller. The exhibit will be on display in the Area Artists Gallery at the Anderson Arts Center.

Artwork done by the students attending the Mahone Middle School in Kenosha, Wis. will be on display in the west wing student galleries at the Anderson Arts Center.

All exhibitions will open Jan. 18, and will continue through March 28. The Anderson Arts Center is open Tuesday through Sunday from 1-4 p.m. The center is closed on Mondays.

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Sondheim's 'A Little Night Music' casts an enchanting spell



Kevin Gudahl (as Fredrik) and Barbara Robertson (as Desirée) in a scene from "A Little Night Music" at Chicago Shakespeare Theater on Navy Pier.—Photo by Michael Broslow

CRITIC'S CHOICE / Musical
"A Little Night Music"
By Tom Witom

Marriage is not the easiest of relationships, and that's borne out dramatically in Stephen Sondheim's passionate 1973 operetta-like musical, "A Little

Night Music," now in production at the Chicago Shakespeare Theater on Navy Pier.

Set in Sweden at the turn of the 20th century and based on Ingmar Bergman's film "Smiles of a Summer Night" and a book by Hugh Wheeler, the musical is aswirl with the folly of lovers.

Kevin Gudahl is featured as the lawyer

Fredrik, a middle-aged widower. Grasping at youth, he has married a shy 18-year-old (Julie Ruth, charmingly naive). But after 11 months, the union has yet to be consummated.

Fredrik's passions are inflamed by a chance encounter with an old paramour, the outgoing actress Desirée Armfeldt (Barbara Robertson, in an impressive per-

formance as she rescues Fredrik from his unrescuable youth). But complications arise during Act II when all gather at the Armfeldt country home—including Desirée's current beau, the pompous Count Carl-Magnus (Michael Cerveris), his ill-used wife (Samantha Spiro, whose comic timing is impeccable) and Fredrik's son Henrik (London actor Paul Keating), who is desperately in love with his stepmother.

Sondheim's lush music and lyrics perfectly capture this boiling stewpot.

Some of the songs, like "The Glamorous Life" and "A Weekend in the Country," carry an earthy bite of sarcasm. Jenny Powers as Petra, the comely, free-loving maid, captivates with "The Millers' Son," a song celebrating life. And Robertson pours her heart and soul into the emotionally charged "Send in the Clowns." Helen Ryan, making her debut at Chicago Shakespeare (she has performed extensively throughout the U.K. and abroad), is compelling as the worldly Madame Armfeldt; "Liaisons" is her big solo, and it's a dandy.

Gary Griffin ably directs this involving production, as he has two previous works by Sondheim, "Pacific Overtures" and "Sunday in the Park With George" at the same venue. Thomas Murphy plays piano and conducts the 15-member back-of-the-stage orchestra. And Daniel Ostling provides riveting mood-setting scenic design; beds, tables and other objects float from the rafters in the first act, giving way to hanging boughs as the play progresses.

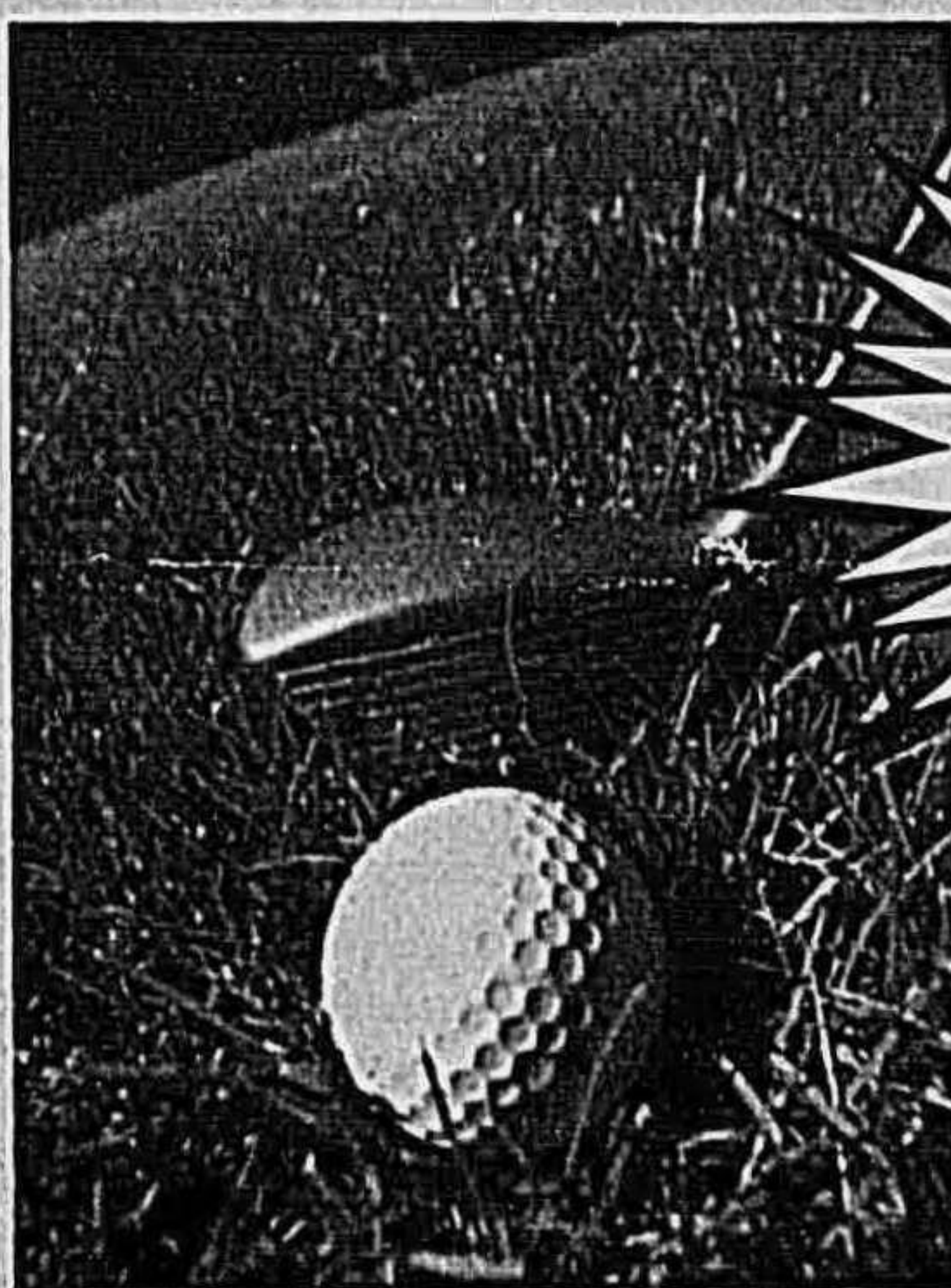


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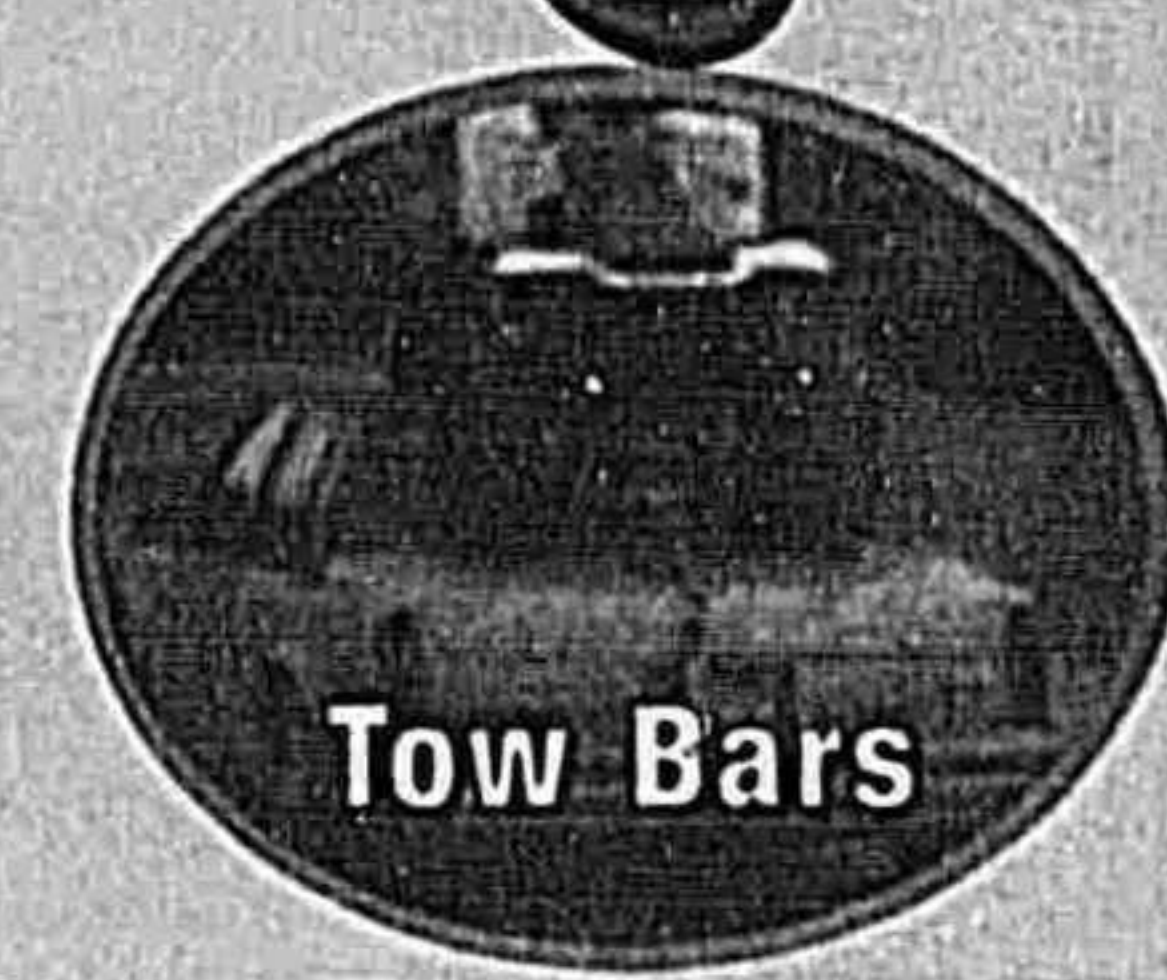
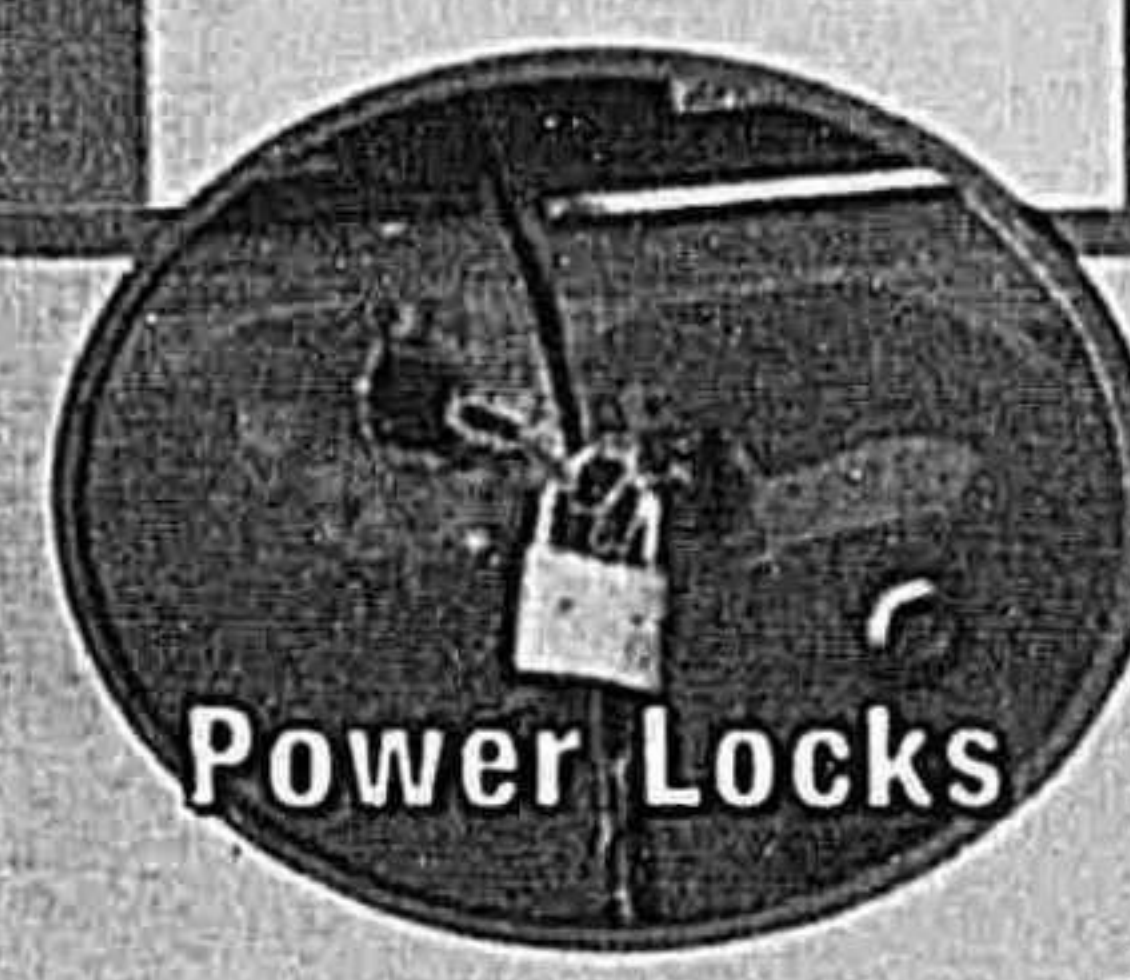
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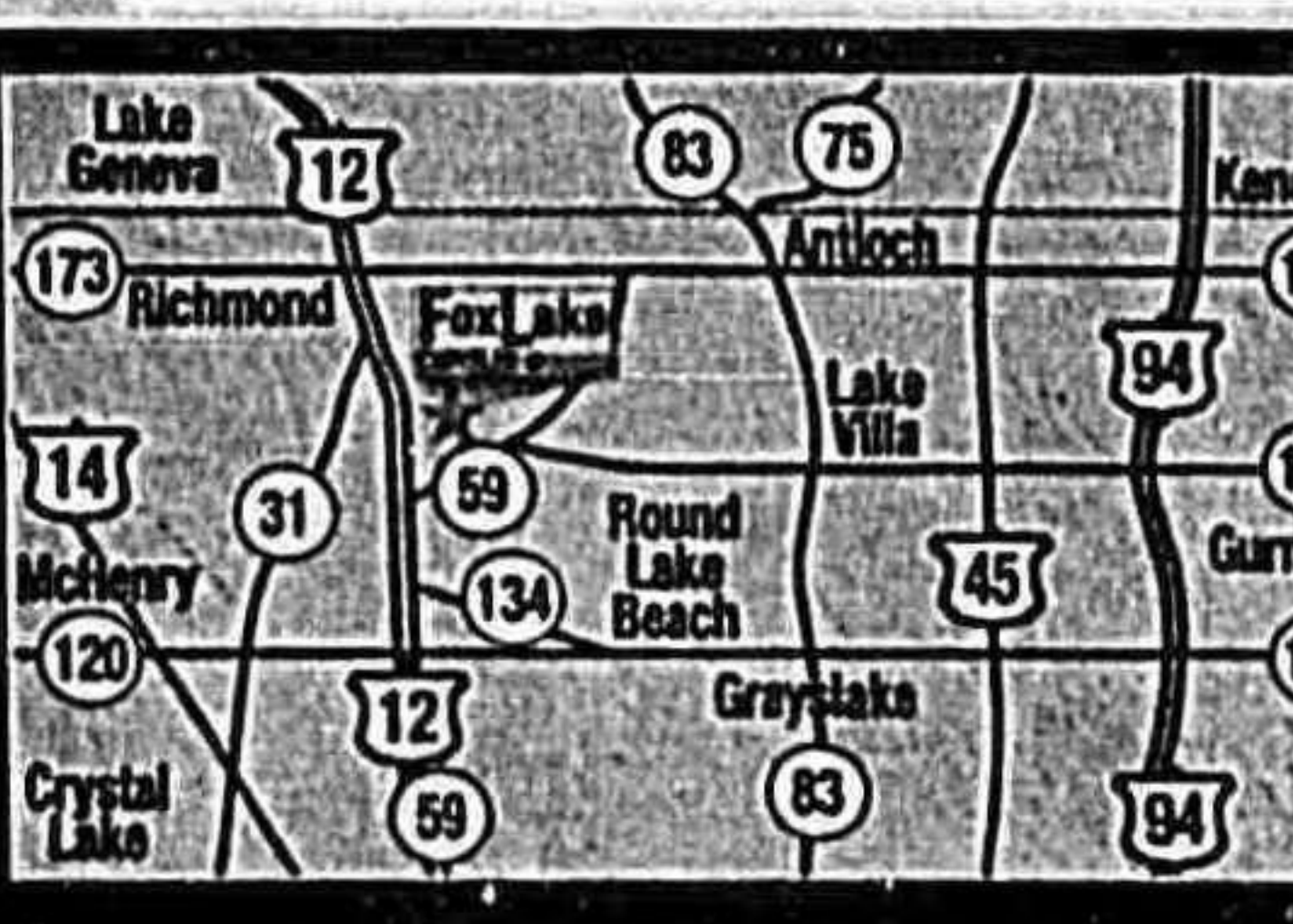
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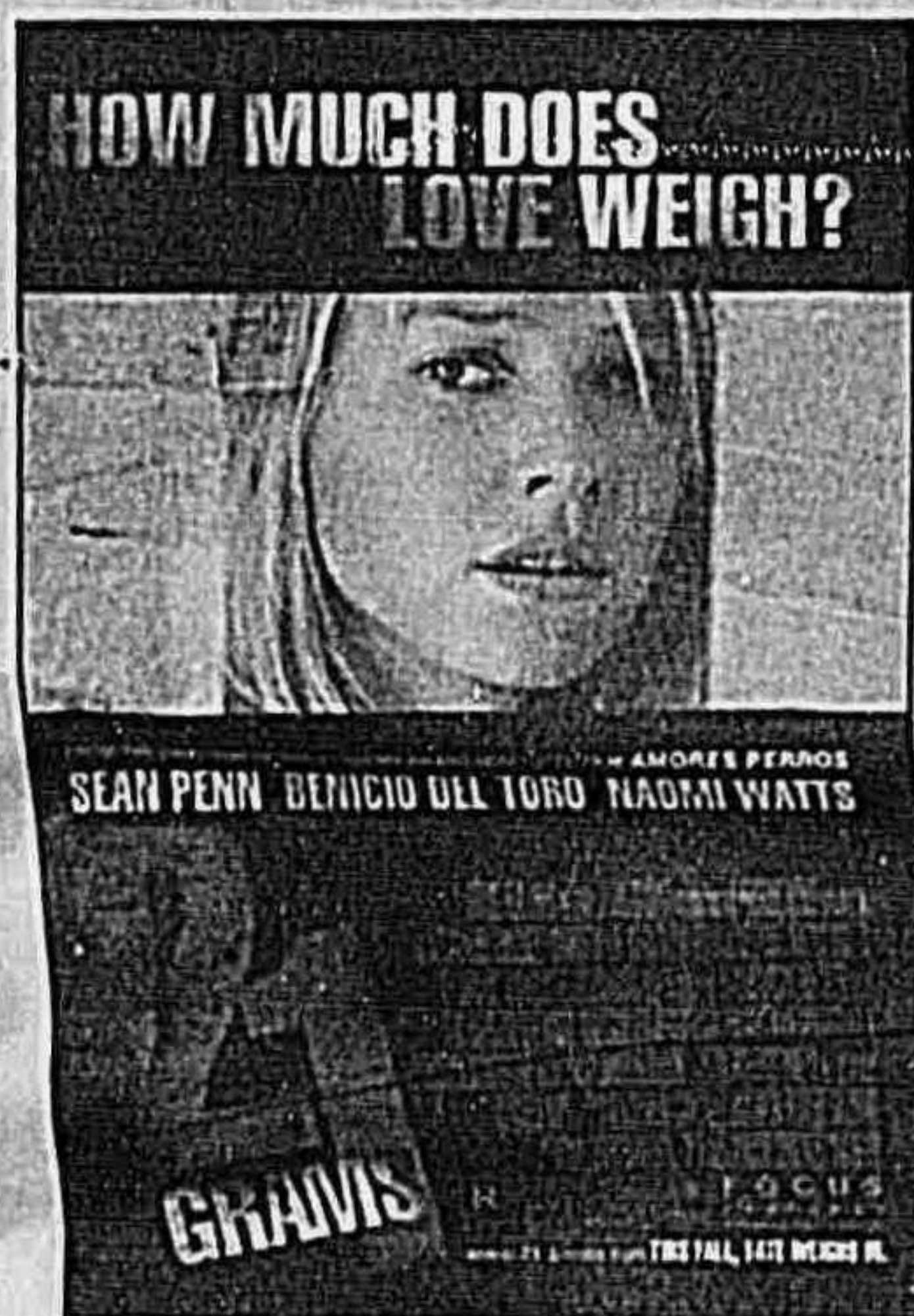


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21 Grams: A gripping tale of three ill-fated families, featuring Oscar caliber performances from Sean Penn, Naomi Watts and especially Benicio Del Toro. Those who liked "Memento" will find "21 Grams" to have a similar construction in the storytelling. This screenplay is better because as the movie progresses things become clear and you don't have to see it a second time to know what happened. ★★★★★ (R)

Big Fish: Billy Crudup comes home to his dying father, played by Albert Finney, to patch up a fractured relationship. Jessica Lange and Steve Buscemi co-star. A lyrical family tale based upon a book. ★★★★★ (PG-13)

Cheaper by the Dozen: Steve Martin learns that getting what you ask for is not always what you want. His dream job comes true, but then he's stuck at home with his 12 kids after his wife has to leave town to meet with a publisher to market her long awaited memoirs. ★★½ (PG)

Cold Mountain: Nicole Kidman is establishing herself as a younger Meryl Streep with another pristine performance. Based upon the best-selling novel about a Confederate soldier trying to make his way back home, the film also stars Jude Law, Renee Zellweger and Natalie Portman. When "The Human Stain" has finally crossed Lake-Cook Road and is playing at the Highland Park Theater, be sure to catch it. Kidman is excellent in that too. ★★½ (R)

The Company: Director Robert Altman gives us a behind-the-scenes look at the Joffrey Ballet with Neve Campbell, a classically-trained ballet dancer who has longed for a part like this since performing with the National Ballet of Canada. ★★★★★ (PG-13)

Girl with a Pearl Earring: Scarlett Johansson ("Lost in Translation") is the muse for Dutch painter Vermeer (Colin Firth). Based upon a best-selling novel by Tracy Chevalier, Scarlett is an outstanding actress who is only 18 years old. ★★★★★ (PG-13)

Looney Tunes (PG)
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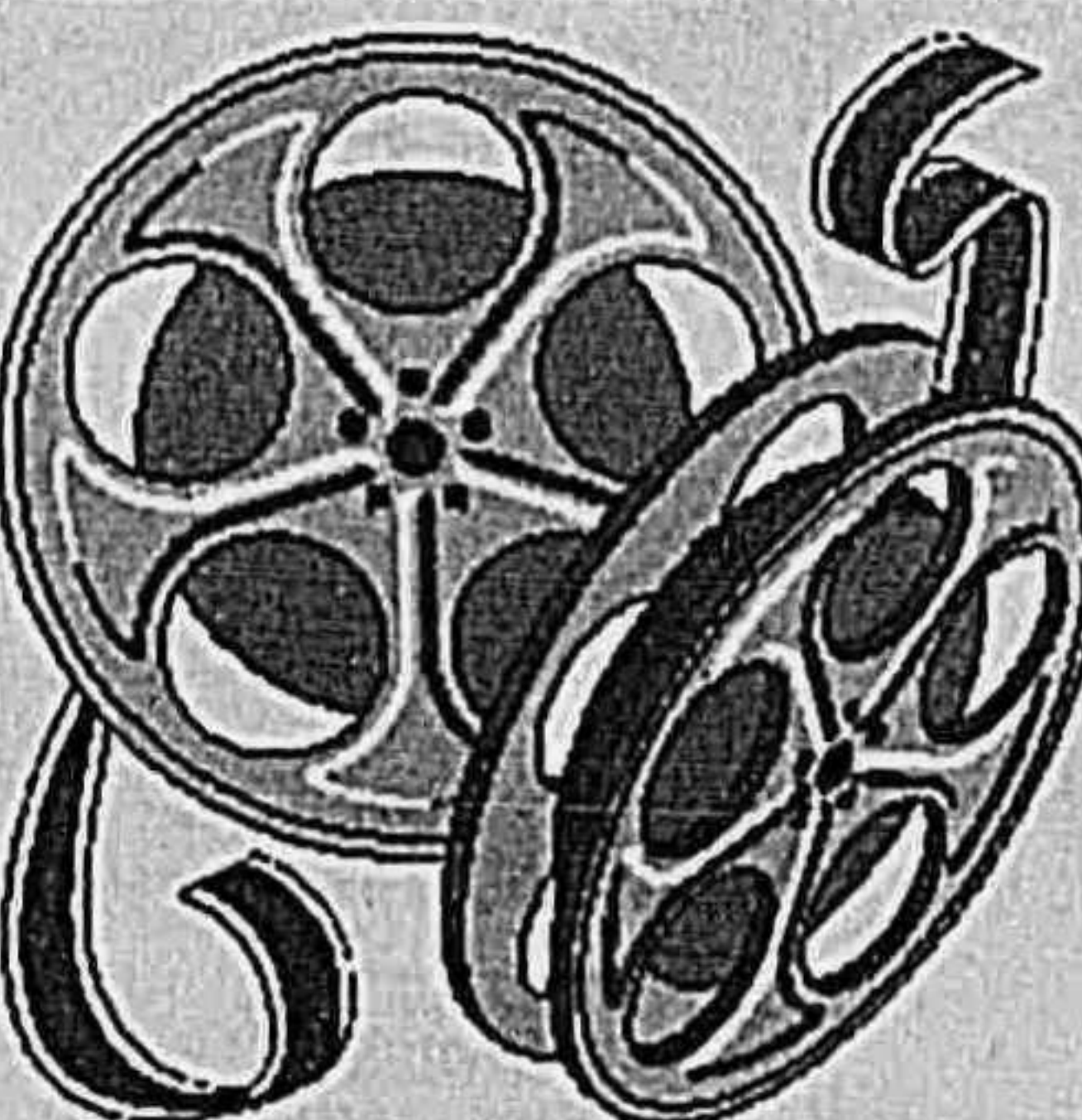
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A conversation with Sir Ben Kingsley

No acting required

By George O. Singleton

Ben Kingsley is a gracious gentleman who wears the title of "Sir" with ease. I was in the second group of reporters to meet with him during his recent trip to Chicago to promote the film "House of Sand and Fog." After looking at us, the first words out of his mouth were, "This is very much a male contingent." When I told him that Pam and I review movies together and that she was at the office editing right now, he gave me a piercing glance and replied, "When you see a film together, you must have an intense and exhilarating debate? There are not many people that can do the same thing together, that's really nice." Clearly he's a man who speaks his mind and quickly gets to the point.

I used this as a segue to ask how such a strong emotional performance was achieved in the aftermath of a struggle on the courthouse steps with his son, Esmail, portrayed by young actor Jonathan Ahdout (you will appreciate this discussion more if you have seen the film). "It was a bit of a struggle," Kingsley said. During his audition Jonny brought to the room a great dignity. All of our hearts opened immediately. He has a profound love for his parents, who I know very well. "What also walked into the room was a particular type of life experience. He is well aware that his oldest sister and his mother were separated in the mountains between Iran and Pakistan when they fled their homeland. There was an argument that took place with the smugglers who were responsible for them because they hadn't been paid enough. They did not know if they would be abandoned in the mountains, shot...they did not know."

"His family has bonded under extraordinary circumstances. Jonny presents an extremely rich, intelligent young man, who is also a brilliant actor. I love confident kids. Although

he stuck to me (during the filming) he was not afraid to make suggestions. I watched Jonny as a fellow actor flower before my eyes. His mom watched that scene from about 20 yards away and she was uncontrollable (emotionally)."

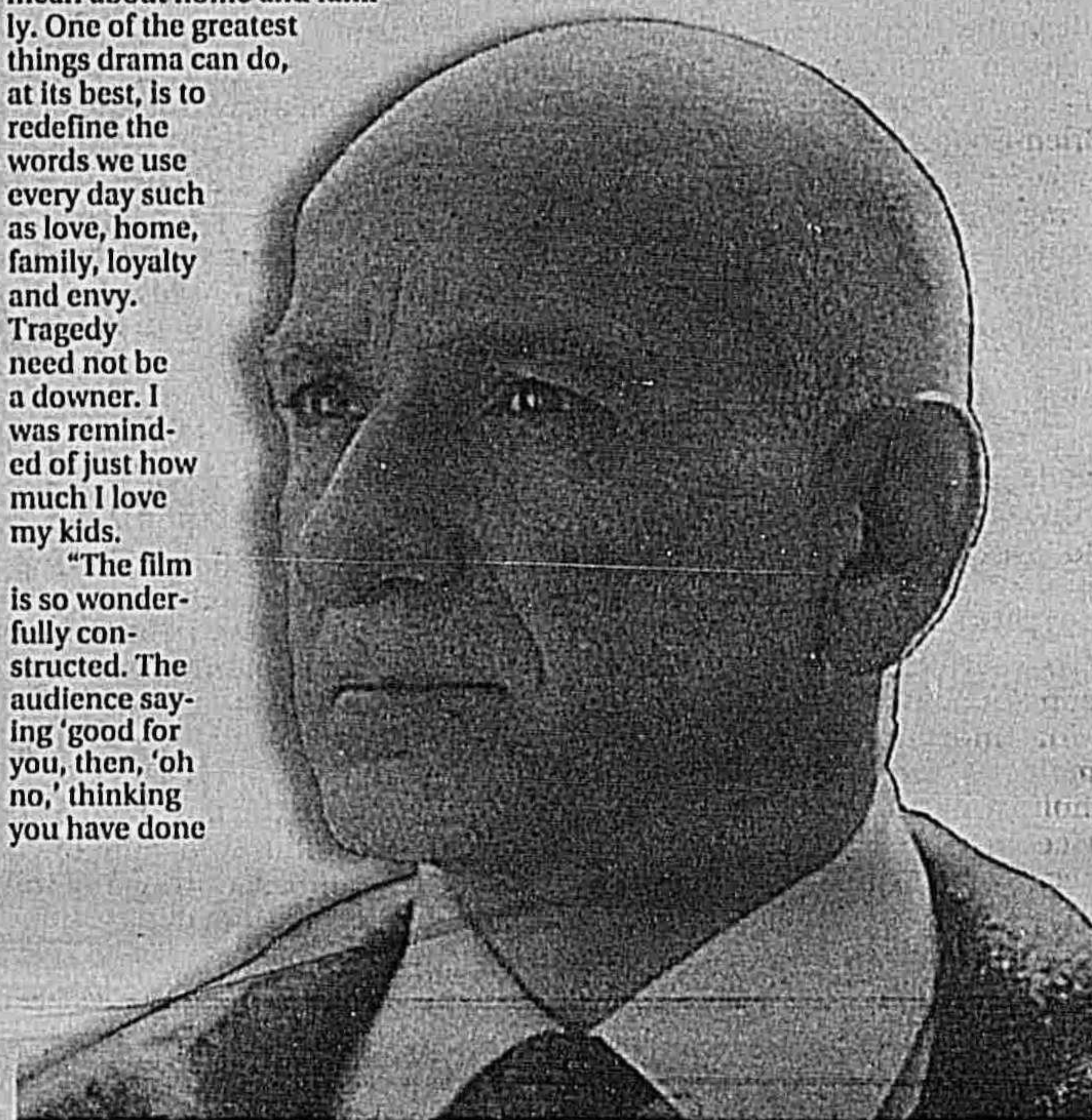
"Shock is shock. Your body goes into shock, regardless of it being real blood or fake blood. The mind sends powerful messages to all the various glands and secretions in the body. It's impossible trying to act it; it just happens. It's a very important question: no acting. At the same time, all my skills, all my craft hurt into that moment; I will try and let this grief flow. This was one of the most important scenes of my cinema career."

"You do get to examine three versions of what three different families mean about home and family. One of the greatest things drama can do, at its best, is to redefine the words we use every day such as love, home, family, loyalty and envy. Tragedy need not be a downer. I was reminded of just how much I love my kids."

"The film is so wonderfully constructed. The audience saying 'good for you, then, 'oh no,' thinking you have done

the worst thing you could have possibly done a few moments later."

Without doubt, this is one of the best movies of the year. It would be unfair to actors such as Kingsley, Russell Crowe, Sean Penn, Benicio del Toro, Denzel Washington and a select group of others to say who among them is the best. Each of these actors can take a mediocre screenplay and elevate it to compete with the best. This marks the feature film debut of Vadim Perelman, who also shares a writing credit. With Ben Kingsley in the mix, you have the making of a masterpiece. We care about ourselves and our families, and after seeing "House of Sand and Fog," hopefully, we may care more about others than we did two hours ago.



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WGN Steve Cochran to emcee 15th annual 'Hearts for Homeless' benefit

The 'Hearts for Homeless Families in Transition' event is a fund-raising event for the Catholic Charities Northwest Suburban Shelter Program, which is based in Des Plaines. The benefit will take place at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at Stonegate Banquet & Conference Centre, 2401 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates.

Steve Cochran has become one of the staples of the WGN family, hosting a lively daily radio show from 12:40 - 3 p.m.

Exemplifying 'Compassion in Action', Hildegard Zimmerman from Deer Park, director of the Michael Joseph Foundation, will receive the fourth annual Stephen O'Brien-Combs Heart of Charity award. The foundation provides short-term transitional housing in the northwest suburbs for families working their way back to self-sufficiency.

The evening includes a cocktail reception, silent auction, four course dinner with wine and a live auction. Tickets are \$100 per person or for \$1,000 a table of 10. Please respond by Feb. 20 to Hearts for Homeless Families, c/o Catholic Charities Northwest Suburban Services, 1717 Rand Road, Des Plaines, 60016. To receive an invitation or more information, call 847-376-2100.

To learn more about the Michael Joseph Foundation, call 847-382-3375.

For information on the "Hearts for Homeless Families" benefit and the Catholic Charities Northwest Suburban Services and how they may help you or someone else who needs help, call 847-376-2100.



Cochran

Home Wasn't Built In A Day

I feel like I'm dismantling the Watts Towers in my spare time.

It took the Italian immigrant Simon Rodia 33 years to single-handedly transform his home into this Los Angeles tourist attraction of spiraling concrete towers imbedded with broken castoffs.

At this rate, there's no way I'm going to beat Simon's time packing up the Werner holiday display.

While my mom calls it a day after taking down the Christmas wreath she slapped over the Thanksgiving decoration on her condo door, I'm stuck with a winter wonderland that makes me wish an inflatable snowman could morph into the Easter bunny.

And, of course, since the rest of the family is back to their usual routine, I'm the lone street cleaner sweeping up the tinsel.

To make matters worse, I'm continually pulled away from this task to, say, nurse a fish that's listing like the Titanic or retrieve a kid's crushed shoebox diorama from the recycling bin.

I might as well resign myself to telling everyone our lit plastic elves are leprechauns who've fallen off the wagon.

Which brings me to my pet peeve. Why is it when kids come along your home turns into guest quarters for CNN war correspondent Wolf Blitzer? Maybe it's because getting things done when you're a parent is as easy as untangling all those frozen Christmas lights.

No wonder parenting magazines have so many time-management articles. After reading all their advice, I really start believing I can stop waving the white flag until the kids leave the bunker. I even entertain the illusion that I just might find a few minutes to gulp down that cold coffee or finish knitting my son's baby booties in time to pass them off as golf

club head covers at his retirement party.

All I need to do is:

PRIORITIZE: For example, when I'm faced with a choice between making my child give up his day-old undies and hauling out the trash before his school bus arrives, I should always remember, the BVD's will come back, but not the garbage truck.

CREATE A TO-DO LIST: My list doesn't have to be fancy. Just a few notes scrawled on the back of a grocery receipt will do. Hey, why invest more time when the darn thing always gets eaten by the wad of expired coupons in my purse?

BUT BE FLEXIBLE: Never hesitate to wing it, especially after losing the to-do list. For example, I should be ready to turn on a dime when I realize my daughter is probably the only student at school yet to be picked up. That means "Precious" has plenty of time to entertain the front office with cherished family "anecdotes" while I sail over speed bumps. (Nothing hones your memory skills faster than the prospect of the school principal, Sister Ann, thinking you're following time-management advice from "Comedy Central.")

And, oh yeah

DON'T FORGET THE BIG PICTURE: It's easy for me to lose sight of the forest when I keep bumping into tree branches festooned with smelly gym shorts or stumbling over hostage Barbies strewn across a son's WWII battlefield. But bit by bit, day by day, I shouldn't forget it's these seemingly meaningless moments of chaos that form a memorable childhood for my kids.

Yep, as a parent I feel like I'm climbing the down escalator on the Tower of Babel. But maybe when I view my handiwork years from now, I'll appreciate why home wasn't built in a day. Like Simon Rodia's monument, I hope those responsible for the flattened pop cans, broken dishes and



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Leslie Glazier-Werner

fingerprints in concrete turn into the most challenging, complex masterpiece of all—caring, contributing adult children.

It's just too bad I can't open a souvenir shop dedicated to my own "Watts Towers." I've got a few Christmas decorations I'd like to unload.

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Citrus undertones add interest to salad in 'Big Book of Potluck'

Cookbook author Maryann Vollstedt continues her "Big Book" series, which already includes volumes on soups and stews, casseroles and breakfast, with "The Big Book of Potluck" (Chronicle, 2003).

It's an impressive all-occasion volume, filled with recipes for everything from hors d'oeuvres to meat, chicken, seafood and vegetable dishes – and desserts – all for sharing with family, friends and neighbors.

The "Orange, Cucumber and Jicama Salad" is billed as ideal for a Mexican-theme



COOKING by the BOOK

Tom Witom

potluck featuring beef enchiladas or Mexican chicken. But we found it went well with an Italian bean-and-polenta entree.

Orange, Cucumber and Jicama Salad

2 cups shredded lettuce
4 oranges, peeled, white pith removed and sliced
1 cucumber, peeled, halved lengthwise, seeded and sliced
1 small jicama, peeled and cut into thick strips (like French fries)

1/4 cup chopped white onion
1/4 cup chopped green bell pepper
Lime Dressing (see below)
Parsley or cilantro sprigs for garnish

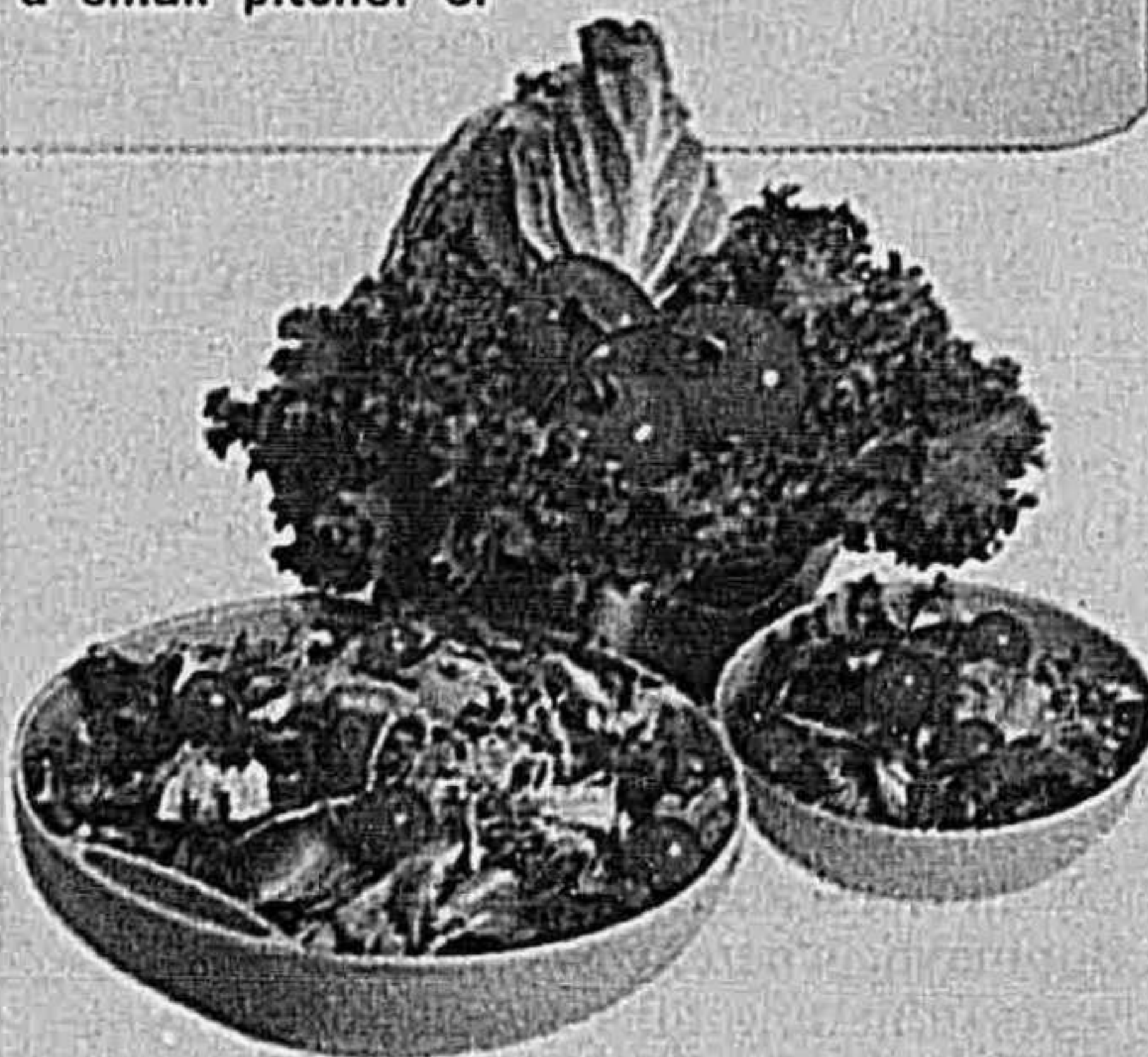
Line a platter with lettuce. Arrange oranges, cucumber and jicama in groups on the lettuce. Sprinkle with onion and bell pepper. Drizzle about half of the dressing over the salad. Garnish with parsley or cilantro sprigs, cover and chill several hours. Serve remaining dressing in a small pitcher or bowl.

Lime Dressing

Juice of 2 limes 1/4 tsp. ground cumin
1 Tbl. white wine vinegar 1/4 tsp. dry mustard
1/2 cup vegetable oil 1/4 tsp. salt
1 Tbl. honey 1/4 tsp. white pepper
1/4 tsp. dried oregano

In a bowl, mix together all ingredients. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use.

—Makes about 3/4 cup



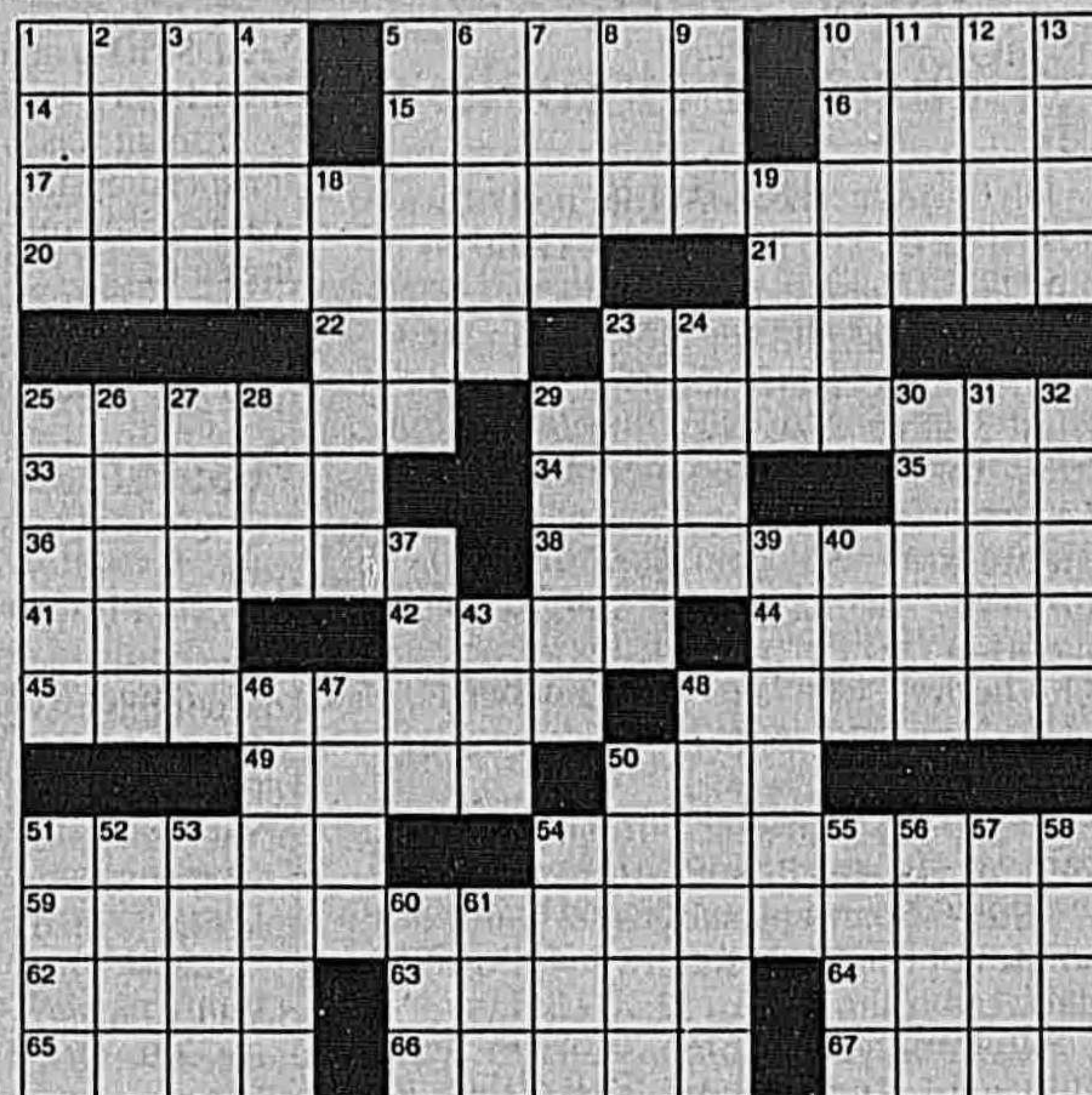
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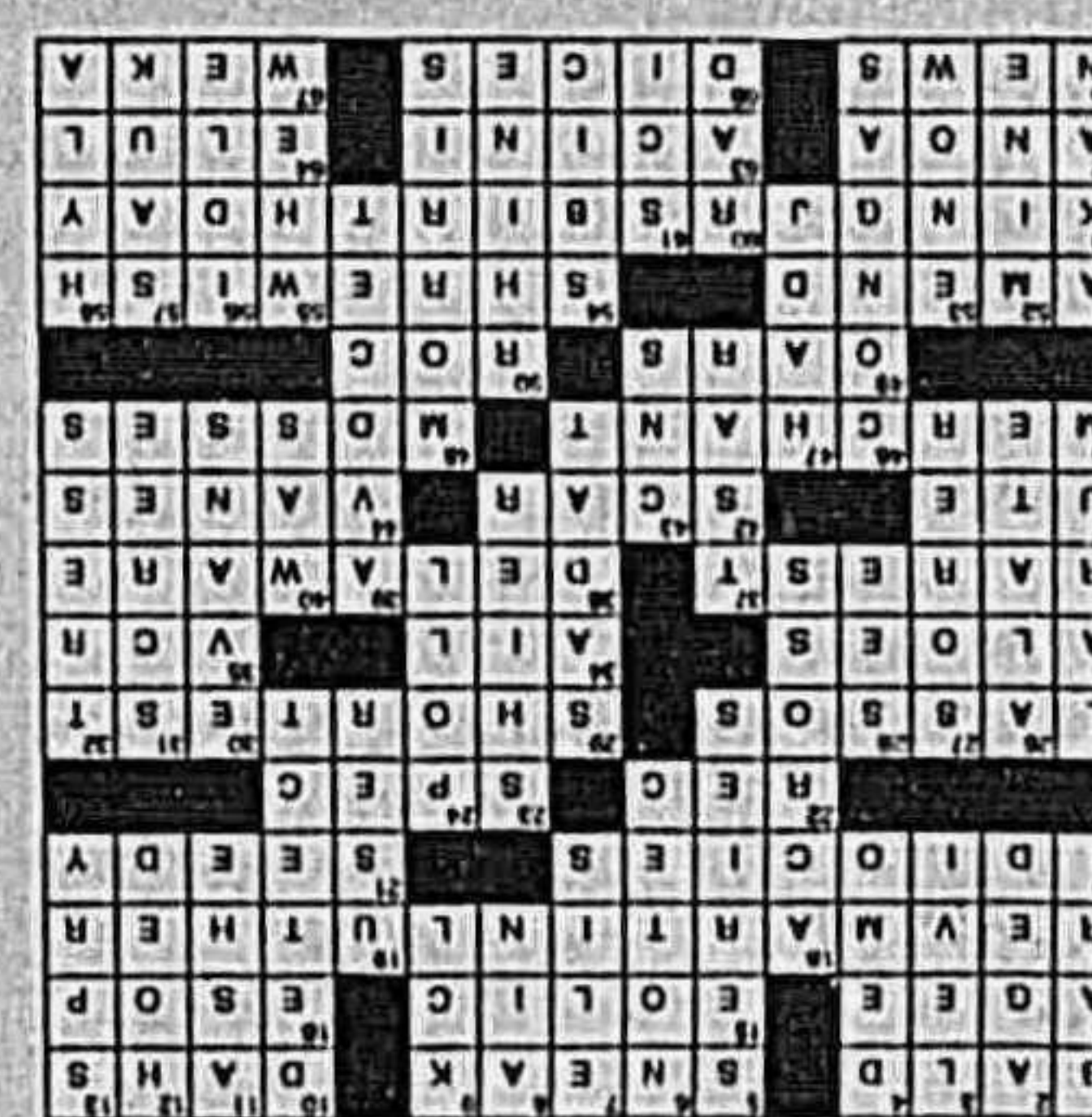
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24. Inquiry
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26. Winged
27. More sensitive
28. Center
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30. Linda ____, actress
31. Geology
32. Hairstyle
37. Despot
39. Shorebird
40. No longer is
43. Central nervous system, abbr.
46. Ballroom dances
47. Pilgrim's journey
48. Robert ____, American revolutionary
50. European river
51. Kwa
52. Belonging to me
53. Enough (archaic)
54. Invests in little enterprises
55. Expression of relief

56. Unemployed
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DUI

Job G. West, 51, of 267 W. Route 173, was arrested for DUI on Jan. 1 at 12:43 a.m. on Route 173 at Harden.

Police reportedly saw him traveling at a high rate of speed, failing to stop at a stop sign, and entering the oncoming lane of traffic and swerving back into the correct lane to avoid being hit.

West provided police with a driver's license, and the officer detected the strong odor of alcoholic beverage on his breath at that time. He told police he had not been drinking, though he failed all field sobriety tests requested of him.

He was arrested and issued citations for disobeying a stop sign and DUI. West refused chemical testing and was released on personal recognizance pending his Feb. 3 court date.

Alfredo Garbez Pedroza, 40, of 107 Bridgewood, was arrested for DUI on Dec. 21 at 3:42 a.m. at 602 W. Route 173.

Police saw him exit his vehicle at the gas station and fall to the ground. He reportedly made several attempts to stand and balance himself.

When an officer went to talk with him, he told police he had no identification. The officer detected the strong odor of alcoholic beverage on his breath.

The officer reported that Pedroza gave a false name before giving his correct name. He failed all field sobriety tests requested of him.

Pedroza was arrested and issued a citation for DUI. He was released on personal recognizance pending his Jan. 20 court date.

No valid driver's license

J. Jesus Olivos-Equihua, 32, of 6732 20th Ave., Kenosha, was arrested for driving without a valid driver's license on Jan. 3 at 4:41 p.m. on Route 173 west of Savage.

He was stopped for traveling 70 mph in 55-mph zone. He provided police with a Wisconsin instructional permit, but had no licensed driver with him. A check through LEADS/SOS confirmed that he had an instructional permit only.

Olivos-Equihua was arrested and issued citations for speeding and driving without a valid driver's license. He was released on personal recognizance pending his Feb. 11 court date.

Daniel Perez, 19, of 3308 Hood Ave., Waukegan, was arrested for driving without a valid driver's license on Dec. 30 at 12:22 a.m. on Route 173 west of Savage.

Police stopped him after witnessing him cross the centerline several times. He told the officer he had no driver's license and this was confirmed through LEADS/NCIC.

Perez was arrested and issued citations for driving without a valid driver's license and for improper lane usage. He was released on cash bond pending his Jan. 28 court date.

Suspended

Robert E. Atman, 19, of 3501 N. Odell, Chicago, was arrested for driving while suspended on Dec. 27 at 4:43 p.m. on North Avenue at Summerlyn.

He was locked traveling 48 mph in a 35-mph zone. A check of his identifiers through

LEADS/SOS came back with information that his driver's license was suspended.

Atman was arrested and issued citations for speeding and driving while suspended. He was released on personal recognizance pending court.

LAKE VILLA

Possession of cocaine

Terry J. Sabar, 36, of 39219 N. Willow Lane, Antioch, was arrested by Lake Villa Police on Dec. 26, at 11:10 p.m., at the Cedar Inn, 142 Cedar Ave. Police came to the bar in response to a complaint by a female bartender that Sabar was asking questions about the contents of the cash register and the closing time of the bar. Police also were given an obscene note that Sabar wrote to the bartender. Police told him he had to leave the bar.

Sabar said he had friends at Nuttie's Bar. Because he appeared too intoxicated to drive, police offered him a ride. He said he needed something from his car, but according to police, it looked as though he was trying to remove something from his pockets. A search of his pockets turned up rolling papers, 7.67 grams of a substance that field-tested positive for THC (cannabis), and 2 grams of a substance that field-tested positive as cocaine. Sabar said the drugs were for his personal use only, and not for sale.

Sabar was charged with possession of cannabis and possession of a controlled substance. He was turned over to Lake County Jail, after bond was set at \$20,000.

Theft of ATV

A resident of Water's Edge called Lake Villa Police on Dec. 30, at 4 p.m. to report that his 2004 Yamaha Raptor ATV had been stolen sometime after 9 p.m. on Dec. 29. The trailer holding the ATV had been chained to a post in the parking lot, but the ATV was not secured.

Reindeer robbery

A resident of Balsam Court reported to Lake Villa Police that two lighted reindeer, valued at \$100, were stolen from his front yard sometime between 10:30-11:42 a.m. on Dec. 30.

Driving with a revoked license

Adrian F. Rodriguez, 23, of 1207 Woodridge, Round Lake Beach, was stopped by Lake Villa Police on Dec. 30, at 7:43 p.m., while driving eastbound on Route 132 near Oak Lane. Police observed him driving without a light over his rear registration plate. He was charged with improper lighting and driving with a revoked license. He was released on a \$1,000 I-bond, pending an appearance in Grayslake Branch III court, on Jan. 14, at 3 p.m.

Driving with a suspended license

Jeffrey A. Johannsen, 21, of 26672 Stonegate, Antioch, was stopped by Lake Villa Police on Dec. 29, at 9:36 p.m., while driving southbound on Fairfield Road, near Route 132. He was charged with driving without a muffler and driving with a suspended license.

He was released pending an appearance in Grayslake Branch III court, on Feb. 11, at 3 p.m.

LINDENHURST

Domestic battery

Robert J. Maki, 49, of 2103 Meadow Drive, Lindenhurst, was arrested by Lindenhurst Police on Jan. 3, at 12:42 a.m., at his home. He was charged with domestic battery. During a verbal argument with his wife, he pushed her and she fell, hitting her head on a table. Maki called 911 for an ambulance. His wife was transported to Condell Hospital. Maki was released on a \$10,000 I-bond.

Possession of cannabis

Juan F. Gutierrez, 19, and April D. Colclough, 18, both of 26653 Astor St., Antioch, were arrested by Lindenhurst Police on Jan. 2, at 8:48 a.m., while driving on Grass Lake Road near N. Beck. Police stopped the car for driving with one taillight out. Police conducted a search of the car after noticing an odor of cannabis. Police found what appeared to be cannabis seeds on the floor of

the car. In the glove box, they found film canisters containing a green leafy substance with the odor of cannabis. Gutierrez told police they would find a "joint" roller, smoking pipe, rolling papers, a grinder and "weed" in the trunk of the car. Gutierrez was charged with improper lighting and possession of cannabis. Colclough was charged with possession of cannabis. Both were released on a \$75 I-bond, pending an appearance in Grayslake Branch III court, on Feb. 4, at 9 a.m.

DUI

William R. Hebel, 317, of 800 Mockingbird Drive, Antioch, was arrested by Lindenhurst Police on Dec. 1, at 9:25 p.m., while driving westbound on Route 132 near Douglas. He was stopped for driving with his headlights off. He failed a field sobriety test and refused any additional tests. He told police he had one beer. At the police station, Hebel took a breath test, which yielded a result of .181 BAC. He was charged with improper lighting, DUI and DUI over .08 BAC. He was released on a \$3,000 I-bond, pending an appearance in Waukegan courtroom C-402, on Feb. 10, at 9 a.m.



Top brass

New Eagle Scouts John Thomas (left) and Jonathon Bruno congratulate each other after being awarded the highest rank in the Boy Scouts of America.—Photo by J.W. Sternickie

PM&L prepares first 2004 production

PM&L Theatre's first show in 2004 is "On Golden Pond" by Ernest Thompson. The show opens on Jan. 23 and runs through Feb. 8.

Publicity director Betty Smouse said, "'On Golden Pond' was an immensely popular, warm-hearted comedy starring Katherine Hepburn, Henry Fonda and Jane Fonda."

Gigi Wilding, of Ingleside, directs PM&L's production. Cast members include the following: Tom Hausman, of Antioch, as Norman Thayer; Dianne Hosken, of Lindenhurst, as Ethel Thayer; Alice Byrne, of Pleasant Prairie, Wis., as Chelsea Thayer Wayne; Bobby Anderson, of Gurnee, as Billy

Ray; Jim Olson of Pleasant Prairie, Wis., as Bill Ray; and Mark Badtke, of Genoa City, Wis., as Charlie Marten, the postman.

Performances are held on Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. with Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets go on sale, and reservations will be made, on Jan. 12 when the ticket box reopens. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students and seniors. Box office hours are Monday through Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m., on Saturday from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and 90 minutes prior to curtain on show days.

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What's in store for '04?

With an historic 2003 behind us, it's time to wonder just what will happen this year, not only for Lakeland-area sports, but for the Chicago sports fan.

Mundelein's boys gymnastics team, despite losing several top players to graduation from last year's second-place state team, will make the state tournament once again. What are they putting in the water over there?

Warren and Zion-Benton will battle in the sectional finals at the "Dog Pound" in Waukegan once again, with the Zee-Bees, led by the phenomenal Julian Lott, pulling out the win, before losing at Super Sectionals.

Carmel's girls basketball team will make a run at state, and possibly win a trophy at Redbird Arena in Normal.

Warren's Mitchell Moore and Mundelein's Jake Gaebler will battle for the Lakeland Player of the Year honors, and look for Warren to win the NSC Lake division title.

Wauconda will put an end to its heart-breaking 25-game losing streak.

Carmel, despite graduating the bulk of the roster from its Class 6A state championship team, will make another run at the state title. The Corsairs won't consistently drop 40 points on anyone, but their system is too good for teams to be able to stop it.

Grayslake, once again using a punishing defense, will make a run at the Fox Valley Conference title. And Coach Vito Andriola will overcome the McHenry mojo and beat the Warriors for the first time in his coaching career.

Those will be the headliners for Lakeland-area sports in 2004. Now on to the professional ranks.

The Bulls will make a second-half run to inch near the .500 mark. However, they will miss the playoffs and lose their shot at a high lottery pick.

Until Eddy Curry and Tyson Chandler are able to show some consistency, the Bulls will continue to toe the line between bad and mediocre.

The Blackhawks will continue to lose, and no one will notice.

The White Sox, after losing several key players to free agency, will finish 3rd in the American League Central division, behind Minnesota and division-champ Kansas City.

The Cubs will win the World...ahhh, I can't say it.

So over the next 350-someodd days, I'll either look like a genius or an idiot. Only time will tell.

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Sequoits hold off Grant for 57-54 win

By STEVE PETERSON
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Antioch was able to keep its composure in the wake of a Grant rally and held off the Bulldogs in Fox Lake.

The Sequoits improved to 6-8 on the season, inching closer to the .500 mark, with a 57-54 win. ACHS claims the Route 59 bragging rights.

ACHS senior Kyle White, back from an ankle injury, had 22 points and Eric Lear had 19. Brian Lotz led Grant with 23 points for the Bulldogs, losers of three straight. Eric Lostrosio had a strong game with 17 points and 12 rebounds.

"It was probably more exciting then we wanted it to be, but we hung on. We had ample chances to let it slide and we did not. We did a good job of not folding," said ACHS coach Tom Duffy.

Grant erased a 45-32 deficit in the fourth quarter. The Bulldogs caught the Sequoits at 49-49 on a basket from Lostrosio on an assist from Mike Mauch (6 points). Lotz had hit a free throw after Lear was whistled for a controversial charge call.

A tip-in by Matt Behm (4 points) gave the Bulldogs their last tie at 51-51 with 1:22 left. Lear scored on a fast break pass from White and the Sequoits were never headed. The two, plus senior Ryan Eder, made one-of-two free throws on four chances down the stretch.

Grant is at North Chicago Jan. 9 as NSC Prairie Division play resumes. Antioch is at Libertyville in NSC Lake action.

Duffy described what the keys were to holding on.

"I think the fact that I know our seniors. I coached them as sophomores. I don't have to yell at them, just tell them what to do. I just try to be nicer to them and people tend to respond to that," Duffy said. "Just let the players do it, it's like coaching in the pros."

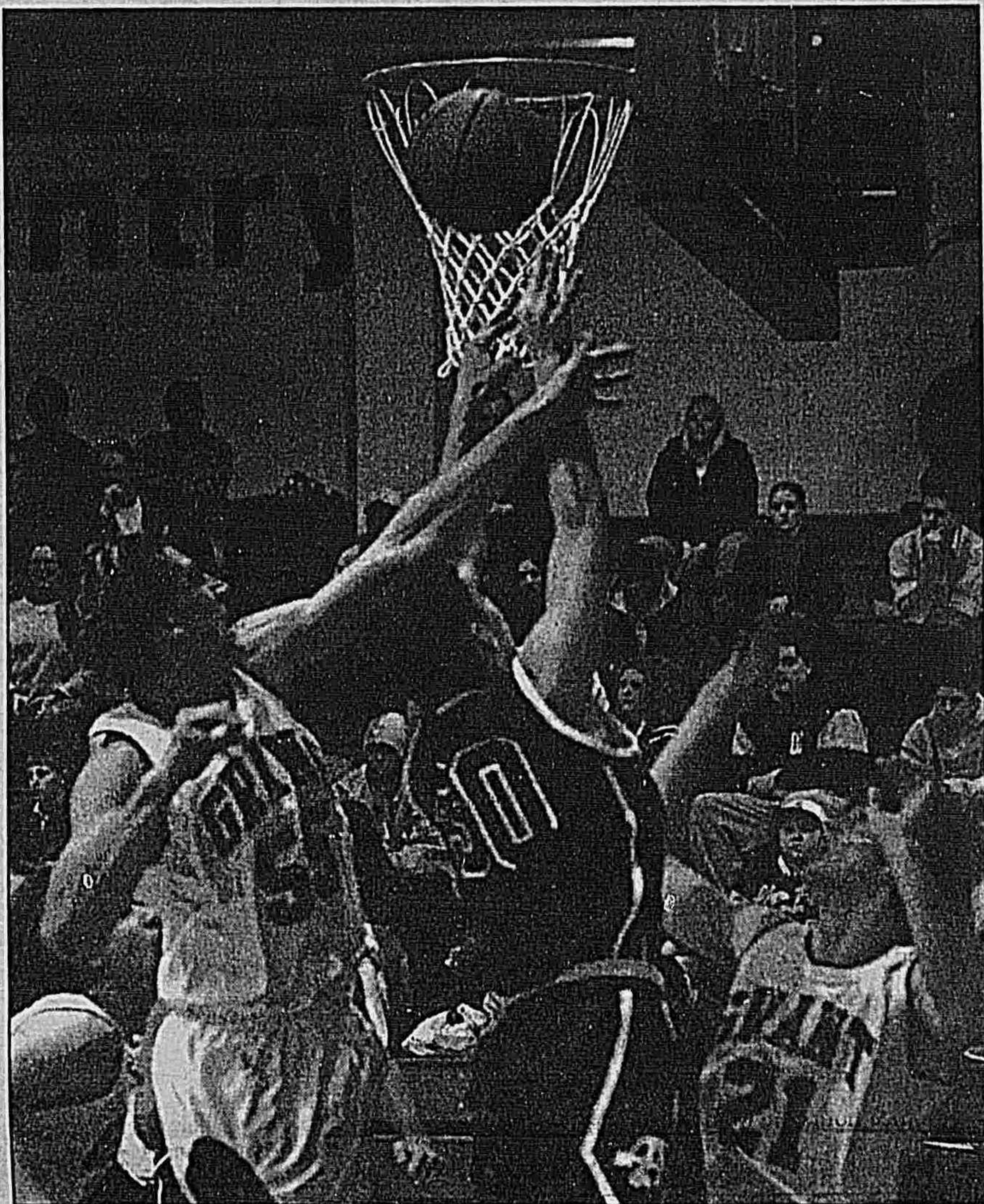
White injured his ankle in the season opener. "He took two days off in the Christmas tournament, so this is his first game back. We took all of last week off. It really helped," Duffy said.

Lotz, averaging better than 20 points a game, drew the attention of the Antioch defense.

"We had to pick on Lotz. He had four fouls," Duffy said.

Grant led 10-8 after one quarter but a 17-10 Antioch run in the second and 14-8 in the third turned the tide.

"We did not come out ready to play defense. They were in the bonus with a minute left in the first quarter. Our inside



Antioch's Brian Sternberg goes up for a lay-up in his team's 58-55 win over Grant. The Sequoits will be at Libertyville on Jan. 9.—Photo by J.W. Sternick

game was doing pretty well. We were getting good post moves and scoring," Lear said. "We stepped up the defense. We went to a zone, and we played a little man and played Marshall Perry on Lotz."

Lear and White, like his coach, likes winning at Grant.

"It's great. Any time to play at Grant, with it going back and forth. I think a lot of teams will underestimate us. Our offense is there, we can score, but if we play defense as good as we

can, we will be tough," Lear said.

Lear said White is close to 100 percent, including jumping.

"I had some practices. Yesterday was the first practice. Having a whole week off helped a lot," White said. "We just had to be cool ourselves. Everything was going out of control. I told a couple of players to keep calm."

Grant coach Phil Ralston is growing tired of the fourth-quarter comebacks that fall short.

Battered and bruised Lady Sequoits keep winning

By JOHN PHELPS
Lakeland Correspondent

The Antioch girls varsity hoops team already has victories over formidable opponents such as Warren and Lake Forest.

Throw in a 45-37 victory over North Suburban Prairie power Vernon Hills this week and the girls have vaulted to a very respectable 10-6 mark.

But according to head coach Don Zeman, the road only gets harder.

"We started and finished strong and that was the difference," the coach said after the victory over the Cougars. "That's been a big difference in our games and why we've been successful to this point. We've had some great wins. Some of our losses have been to quality opponents, too, so we're knocking on the door when it comes to beating some of those other upper-echelon teams."

Speaking of upper-echelon opponents, Stevenson comes visiting calling on Jan. 8 at 7 p.m. The Sequoits then take to the road against Grant in non-conference action on Jan. 10 at 2:30 p.m.

Unfortunately, wins have been coupled with a few bumps and bruises.

Loren Scarbrough is out with an ACL injury, while leading scorer Jennie Dewar suffered what appeared to be a hyper-extended left elbow while going for a rebound against Vernon. Starting guard Gina Florian also

received some battle wounds against the Cougars when she got smacked in the chin, requiring stitches.

But Zeman has confidence in whoever is on the court.

"Holly (Roberts) and Jessica (McWilliams) are two sophomores who have come a long way and are becoming more consistent," the coach said.

Being comfortable with whomever is on the court also helps.

"We just have a lot of faith in each other," said senior point guard Katherine Reynolds. "We're expecting a fight with any team we play. But I think that helps us focus more. We don't take anyone lightly. We're ready for and not afraid of anyone."

Reynolds did a terrific job of running the floor against Vernon and getting passes into the paint.

Dewar led the charge with 18 points and six boards. She also wreaked havoc on defense with five steals and four blocks.

Starting guard Katie Malcolm provided an offensive spark when the Cougars made a charge, scoring all nine of her points in the final period.

Starting forward Kate Hofeldt complemented Dewar's inside game by chipping in with 12 points, five rebounds and four steals.

The Antioch defense was tenacious throughout the game, forcing 26 Cougar turnovers.

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Team	Comment	Next opponent
1. Zion-Benton (14-0)	Julian Lott continues to lead Zion.	Round Lake Jan 9
2. Lake Forest (10-3)	Scouts off to 3-0 start in Lake division.	Warren Jan. 9
3. Warren (8-4)	Devils prepare for Lake showdown.	Lake Forest Jan. 9
4. North Chicago (8-4)	Josh Allen paces Warhawks' fast start.	Grant Jan. 9
5. Waukegan (8-5)	Bulldogs 7-3 in last 10 games.	Niles West Jan. 9
6. Stevenson (8-5)	Pats go 2-2 at Wheeling Invite.	Mundelein Jan. 9
7. Mundelein (7-6)	Corning needs help for Mustangs.	Stevenson Jan. 9
8. Libertyville (7-6)	Gibbons, Olson lead Cats over DG North.	Antioch Jan. 9
9. Grant (5-5)	Grant tied for 2nd in Prairie division.	North Chicago Jan. 9
10. Lake Zurich (6-8)	Bears over .500 since 0-3 start.	Foreman Jan. 10
11. Antioch (5-8)	White's looking to lead Sequoits.	Libertyville Jan. 9
12. Johnsbury (5-7)	Skyhawks struggling of late.	Hampshire Jan. 8
13. Vernon Hills (3-10)	Radojevic lone bright spot for Cougars.	Wauconda Jan. 9
14. Wauconda (2-9)	Wauconda struggles at Jacobs Tourney.	Vernon Hills Jan. 9
15. Carmel (2-11)	Corsairs win low-scoring battle over Rams.	St. Pat's Jan. 9
16. Grayslake (3-11)	Mulvaney's points not enough for Rams.	Libertyville Jan. 10
17. Round Lake (1-11)	Panthers continue to play hard.	Zion-Benton Jan. 9

LOCAL DIGEST

Republican club hosts theater night

The Antioch Township Republican Club is hosting a night at the theater featuring "On Golden Pond" at the PM&L Theatre on Jan. 31 at 7 p.m.

The evening will include food and wine in addition to entertainment and is limited to 140 tickets.

Sponsorship and ticket information is as follows: golden sponsorship at \$250 includes playbill recognition and four tickets; silver sponsorship at \$100 includes playbill recognition and two tickets; bronze sponsorship at \$50 includes playbill recognition. Ticket price is \$25 each.

Please send sponsorship information along with a check made payable to the Antioch Township Republican Club by Jan. 15 to: Linda Mueller, 26615 W. Stonegate, Antioch, IL 60002.

All tickets must be prepaid by Jan. 20. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

For more information call Mueller at 847-838-2001.

Keep PM&L singing, dancing, acting

PM&L has something different planned for the new year, and hopes to raise some extra funds to keep it operating at its best. It's hosting a fund raiser called "Winter Wonderland Concert" that will feature mainly Broadway show tunes on Jan. 10 at 8 p.m.

The concert will feature many of PM&L's regular singers and pianists.

Tracy Kiederlen of Antioch, Murry Holmstrom of Bristol, Wis., and Paul Bleadow of Kenosha, Wis. will take turns at the piano.

Antioch singers include Donna Abear, Ken and Betty Smouse, Fran and Trish Jansta, Michelle Self and Roz Ohlinger. Additionally, Alice Byrne and Jim Olson, of Pleasant Prairie, Wis.; Mark and Donna Badtke, of Genoa City, Wis.; Josh and Mary St. John, of Round Lake Beach; Lori Jo Metz, of Gurnee; Mary Campbell, of Palatine; Bob Wang, of Bristol, Wis.; and Chris Jones, of Lindenhurst will contribute to the vocals.

Reservations can be made beginning on Jan. 5. Box office hours are Monday through Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m.

on the night of the show.

SuzAnne's hosts solo art show

Roger Shule, president of the Antioch Fine Arts Foundation for the two years since its inception, will be exhibiting his artwork in solo art show hosted by SuzAnne's Custom Framing on Main Street.

Shule retired this past spring from teaching at the Antioch Upper Grade School after 14 years. Originally from a small town south of Kankakee, he said much of his work reflects those roots through landscapes, barns and florals with some interior subject matter.

In addition to watercolor, Shule said calligraphy and letterforms have always been part of his artistic makeup and that in the past he has incorporated calligraphy into some clay platters.

Shule said that all of the pieces exhibited would be for sale. In addition to originals, he will have prints of different sizes and cards for sale.

SuzAnne's is open every day except Monday. The phone number is 847-395-2570.

Village announces regular meeting schedule

An annual schedule of meetings for the board of directors of the village of Antioch has been determined and announced for 2004.

As in years past, meeting have been scheduled for the first and third Mondays of each month. Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the boardroom of Village Hall, located at 874 Main St.

Only one meeting is scheduled in July and August and will be held on the third Monday, July 19 and Aug. 16, respectively.

Meetings that would typically fall during a Monday holiday have been moved to Tuesday. Tuesday meetings are as follows: Jan. 20, Feb. 17 and Sept. 7.

The complete meeting schedule for 2004 is Jan. 5 and 20, Feb. 2 and 17, March 1 and 15, April 5 and 19, May 3 and 17, June 7 and 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 7 and 20, Oct. 4 and 18, Nov. 1 and 15 and Dec. 6 and 20.

Sub-committee meetings of the board are scheduled as needed and posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Regular meetings can be cancelled or continued as required.

NEIGHBORS

Name: Agime Rahmani

Home: Antioch

Occupation: Part-time waitress at the Lake Villa Restaurant (owned by my father, Mike Rahmani) and also employed part-time in advertising, marketing and public relations for Innovative Resources in Antioch

I'm originally from: Elk Grove Village; I moved here when I was two years old.

I graduated from: Antioch Community High School and the University of Wisconsin at Whitewater

My family consists of: My father, Mike; my mother, Juba; and sisters Emine, Gzime and Fatmire. (A friend made up a song using the names of all my sisters and me.)

My pets are: An occasional spider, which I call Charlotte.

What I like best about my town: It's a great place to call home.

What I like best about my job: The public relations job is a challenge, and the restaurant job allows me to interact with a lot of people.

If you have a "Neighbor" that you would like to see profiled in this column, call Lakeland Newspapers at 847-223-8161.



The secret to my success is: Positive role models and never taking anything for granted

I relax by: Reading and scrapbooking

My idea of a perfect way to spend a day in Lake Villa would be: Having lunch at my father's restaurant and then spending the afternoon at the beach in Lehmann Park

Last book I read: "Bread Givers," about a Jewish immigrant family

Favorite TV shows: "That '70s Show" and "Three's Company"

Favorite band: The Beatles

Favorite restaurant: Lake Villa Restaurant

Favorite food: Tostitos Lime Chips

My life's motto is: "Think globally, act locally."

My greatest accomplishment is: Graduating from college

I want to be remembered as: A good-humored girl.

Calendar

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A 14-day notice is requested for all items.

Friday, January 9

7:30-8:30 a.m., The Business Networking Group meets at Centre Lights Cafe next to Condell in Libertyville, call Dan at 847-803-9904 during business hours

Saturday, January 10

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun., Antiques, Collectibles & Flea Market held at the Lake County Fairgrounds, 50 S. Route 45, Grayslake. All are welcome. Saturday Early Buyers session from 8-10 a.m., admission is \$15. Regular cost is \$4. Call 715-526-9769 or visit www.lakecountyfairassoc.com

8 p.m., "Winter Wonderland Concert" held at PM&L Theatre, 877 Main St. in Antioch. The event is a fund-raiser for the theatre and features local singers and musicians performing Broadway tunes and more. All tickets \$10. RSVP at 847-395-3055

Sunday, January 11

1:30-4 p.m., The Lake County Spinner's Guild meeting held at the Warren-Newport Public Library. Enjoy the art of fiber spinning and meet fellow spinners. For info., call Carol at 847-234-0778 or Chris at 847-367-2536

2 p.m., "An Afternoon of Classical Guitar" presented by the Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago. Held at the Barrington Area Arts Council Gallery, 207 Park Ave. in Barrington. 16-year old classical guitarist Jennifer Ernst, a native of Highland Park, will open the program. Cost is \$10 for members, \$15 for guest. RSVP by Jan. 5, call 847-382-2613

2 p.m., Arthritis support group meets at Condell Memorial Hospital in Libertyville. Call Martha at 847-362-0889

7:30 p.m., Lake County Singles group meets at Dover Straits, on Rte. 45 in Mundelein. Cost is \$7, free buffet, speed dating, music and more. For info., call the hotline at 847-604-1840

Monday, January 12

12:45 p.m., Bingo held at The Antioch Senior Center, call 847-395-7120 for details

9:30-11:30 a.m., Prairie Patch Quilting Guild meets at Shepherd of the Lakes Church, Grayslake, call 847-223-5759

7 p.m., The Northern Illinois Conservation Club monthly board meeting held at the clubhouse, located just south of Route 173 on the east side of Route 83. For info., call 847-395-NICC or visit www.lake-online.com/nicc

7-9:30 p.m., Guest orientation hosted by the Riverport Chorus held at Bristol School, 20121 83rd St. in Bristol, Wis. The chorus is looking for female singers. For details, call 262-859-2343 or visit www.riverportchorus.org

7-9 p.m., Lakes Area Community Band rehearsal at Antioch Community High School, information at 847-395-6729

Tuesday, January 13

1 p.m., AARP (for adults 55 and older) meets at

Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck Dr., for more info., call Sharon Nowak at 847-395-5068

6:45 p.m., Antioch VFW Bingo, doors open 4:30 p.m., call 847-395-5393

7 p.m., Lake County Genealogical Society meeting held at Fremont Public Library, 1170 Midlothian Rd. in Mundelein. Program topic on "Family History Resources for Wisconsin and Illinois Research." All are welcome to attend. For info., call Bobbie at 847-816-8074 or Mary Jo at 847-623-6718

7-8 p.m. Weigh to Win program held at Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd., west of Rte. 83 in Lake Villa. Call 847-356-6181 for info.

Wednesday, January 14

9 a.m., H.O.M.E. (Home Office Managers & Entrepreneurs) group meets at First Midwest Bank, 300 N. Hunt Club Rd. (1st floor conference room) in Gurnee. Call 847-367-7118

8 a.m., American Business Woman's Assoc. meets at Keller Williams Realty Office on Rte. 83, south of Rte. 173 in Antioch. For more info., call Nancy at 847-838-6500

10 a.m., Lake County Women's Club welcomes all area women, new and established. Social club offers many activities: cards, quilting, gardening, theater, dining, golf, book club, movies, and couples events. Meets the second Wed. of each month at State Bank of the Lakes, 50 Commerce Drive, Grayslake. For a free newsletter and membership info., call 847-548-4250

11 a.m.-6 p.m., Antioch District 34 annual Blood Drive at Oakland Elementary School, Grass Lake and Deep Lake Rds. Walk-ins welcome, or call 847-838-8911 for an appointment or details

1 p.m., Antioch Woman's Club regular meeting at United Methodist Church of Antioch, info. at 847-395-4210

6:30 p.m., TOPS Weight Loss weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck, info. at 847-395-6443 or 847-395-8143

Thursday, January 15

10 a.m., The Lake County Spinner's Guild meets locally. Learn about the ancient art of fiber spinning. Meets the third Thurs. of each month. For location and details, call Chris at 847-367-2536

12-2 p.m., Advocates for FMS (Fibromyalgia) support group now meets in the Community Building at 884 Main St. in Antioch. For more information call Kathy at 847-395-3716

Friday, January 16

8:30-10 p.m., Lake County Astronomical Society meets at Volo Bog State Natural Area. Meeting is followed by a viewing period at 9:30 p.m. For info., call 815-344-1294

Saturday, January 17

8 a.m.-noon, Knights of Columbus Youth Free Throw Championship at Prince of Peace Parish located in Lake Villa, just south of Grand Ave. (Rt. 132) on Milwaukee Ave. on the east side

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AT A GLANCE

Racial profiling study starts

Now until the end of 2007, police throughout the state will be tallying the race of anyone stopped for any reason, even if the stop does not result in a summons or arrest. Police are not allowed to ask subjects what race they are, so it is a matter of subjective judgment, based on appearance and surnames.

Police arrest 2 in crime spree

Mundelein—Police arrested Brian Esch, 17, of Vernon Hills and Derek Picking, 17, of Mundelein, on New Year's Eve after the boys reportedly confessed to stealing a car, burglarizing a bowling alley and Jiffy Lube, then fled to California. The two were picked up at Midway Airport on a return flight from that state. Both are now held on \$200,000 bond at the Lake County Jail.

Census doubles village size

Round Lake—Mayor Bill Gentles announced the results of a \$128,000 special census taken over the past three years, which saw the village grow from 5,480 in 2000 to an adjusted 10,160 today.

Since the population has increased by 4,680, and when multiplied by 120, the village stands to gain \$561,600 each year.

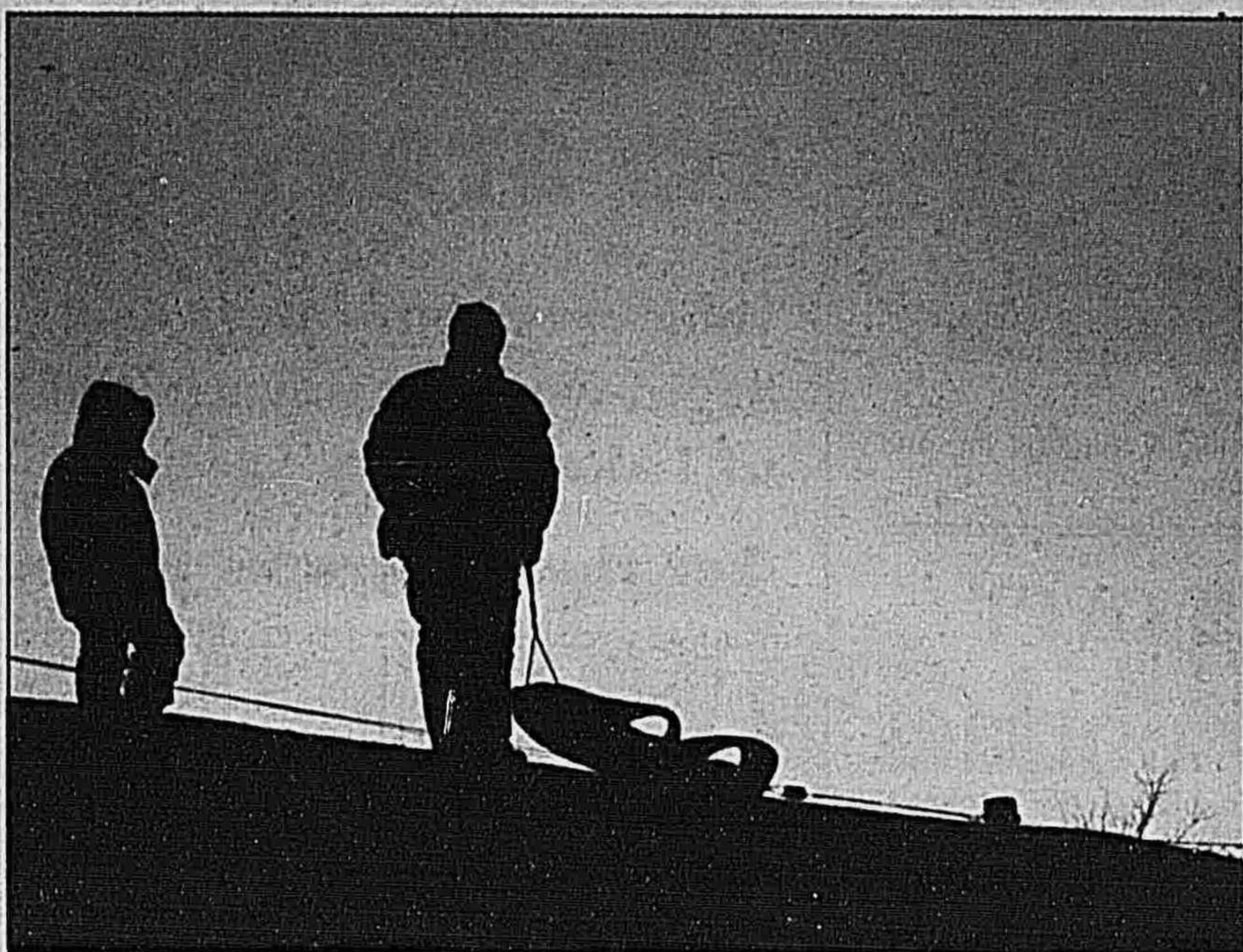
Mayors clash on casino

Wadsworth—The mayors of Gurnee, Waukegan and North Chicago clashed on the casino issue when they sat down at a breakfast function this week.

Mayors Rudny and Thomas made it clear they are not in favor of the casino moving in.

Waukegan Mayor Dick Hyde contended it will bring much-needed money to all of the area communities along with estimates of \$200,000 to neighboring school districts.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



Father-son bonding

Larry Harrop of Mundelein makes it to the top of the Mundelein Park District sled hill with his son Alex, 10, on a blustery winter afternoon.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

Lambs Farm fined amidst abuse charges

But neglect not proven at facility

First in a series

By DENYS BUCKSTEN
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The Illinois Department of Public Health's \$15,000 fine of a residential care unit at Lamb's Farm leaves unanswered questions about supervision and treatment of developmentally disabled residents at the Libertyville site.

The IDPH fined the Benjamin Green-Field Residence for failure to follow proper procedures in reporting incidents of alleged abuse and to take immediate steps

to protect residents.

Green-Field, part of the residential program at Lambs Farm, Route 176 and the Tri State Tollway, has 16 beds. Lambs Farm, founded in 1961, cares for and trains about 250 clients in all. Many live off-site and others live on-site with supervision, such as the Green-Field Residence.

Green-Field's very failure to follow reporting guidelines, said Tammy Leonard, an IDPH spokesperson, prevented the state from the timely gathering of evidence needed

Please see **LAMBS** / B6

The waiting game

Family anxious for father, son to return from war

Second in a series

By MARC JENKINS
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Chris Kramer Sr. and Chris Kramer Jr.—father and son—are still on the other side of the world, still fighting after the war was supposed to be over, still yearning to be with each other and their family.

Mom and the kids, though, are keeping a stiff upper lip. They miss them dearly, but show it in different ways.

And their absence is taking its toll for some less obvious reasons, too.

Donna Kramer, of Round Lake Park, said she was disillusioned when the military took her husband, Chris Kramer Sr. to fight in a war... for the second time in 12 years.



Donna Kramer and her sons, counterclockwise from bottom, Matthew, 9; Andy, 11 and Carl Thunderburk, 23, in their Round Lake Park home. Donna's husband and son—Chris Kramer Sr. and Chris Kramer Jr., are both in the Army serving in Iraq and have been gone since August.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

"We were in the dark so much. They didn't tell us what to expect or how to expect it," Donna said. "I was basically left to fend for myself."

Now the bills are adding up. Months without a consistent

paycheck have left Donna to scramble to provide for herself and her three children.

Not only does she have to worry about finances, she has to deal with daily fears about her husband and son



Kramer Sr. Kramer Jr.

Look for next week's installment on Page 1 of the Lake County section

"I fight every day not to fall into depression over this," Donna said. "I just stay very busy and away from the news. It can get overwhelming."

Carl Thunderburk, Chris Jr.'s half-brother, wanted to be side-by-side with them in Iraq, too.

"I'm a little jealous," Thunderburk said. "Chris (Jr.) was one of those quiet people in school, didn't expect him to be there."

While Carl says with conviction that Senior and Junior shall return, Donna still reels from losing the presence of her husband and son with a week's notice, in August 2003.

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Dead man found in woods leaves few clues

By CAREL SCHMIDLKOFER
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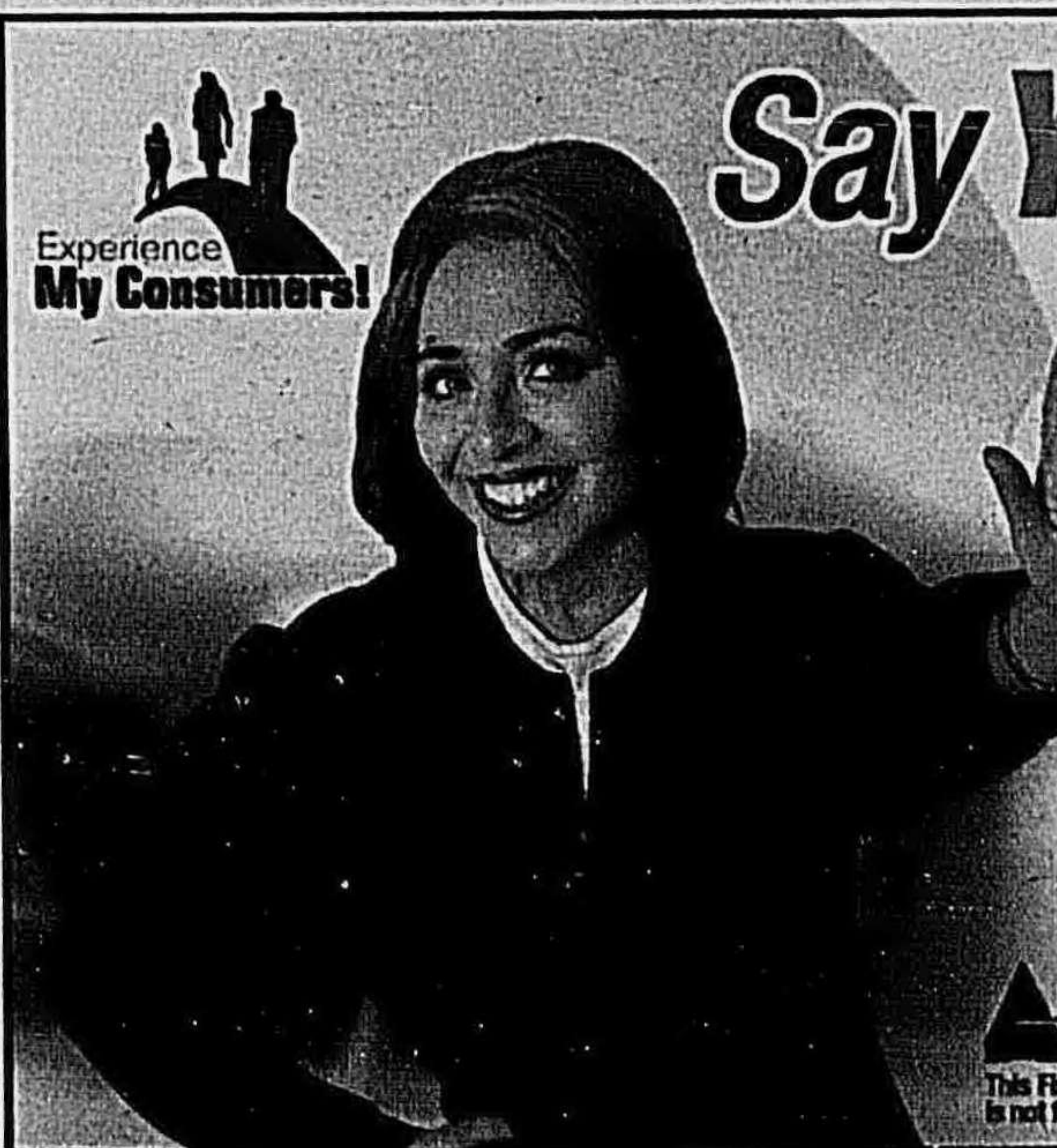
Bizarre conditions surrounding the discovery of a man's body found in North Chicago Dec. 26 has authorities baffled.

According to Lt. William Valco, commander of the Lake County Major Crimes Task Force, a passerby discovered the unidentified man in a field near Bittersweet Avenue while walking his dog at about 8:30 a.m.

The head and hands were removed from the body, which was badly burned making identification impossible.

Clothed only in underwear and a pair of socks, the body appeared to have been set on fire at the scene, said Lake County Coroner James

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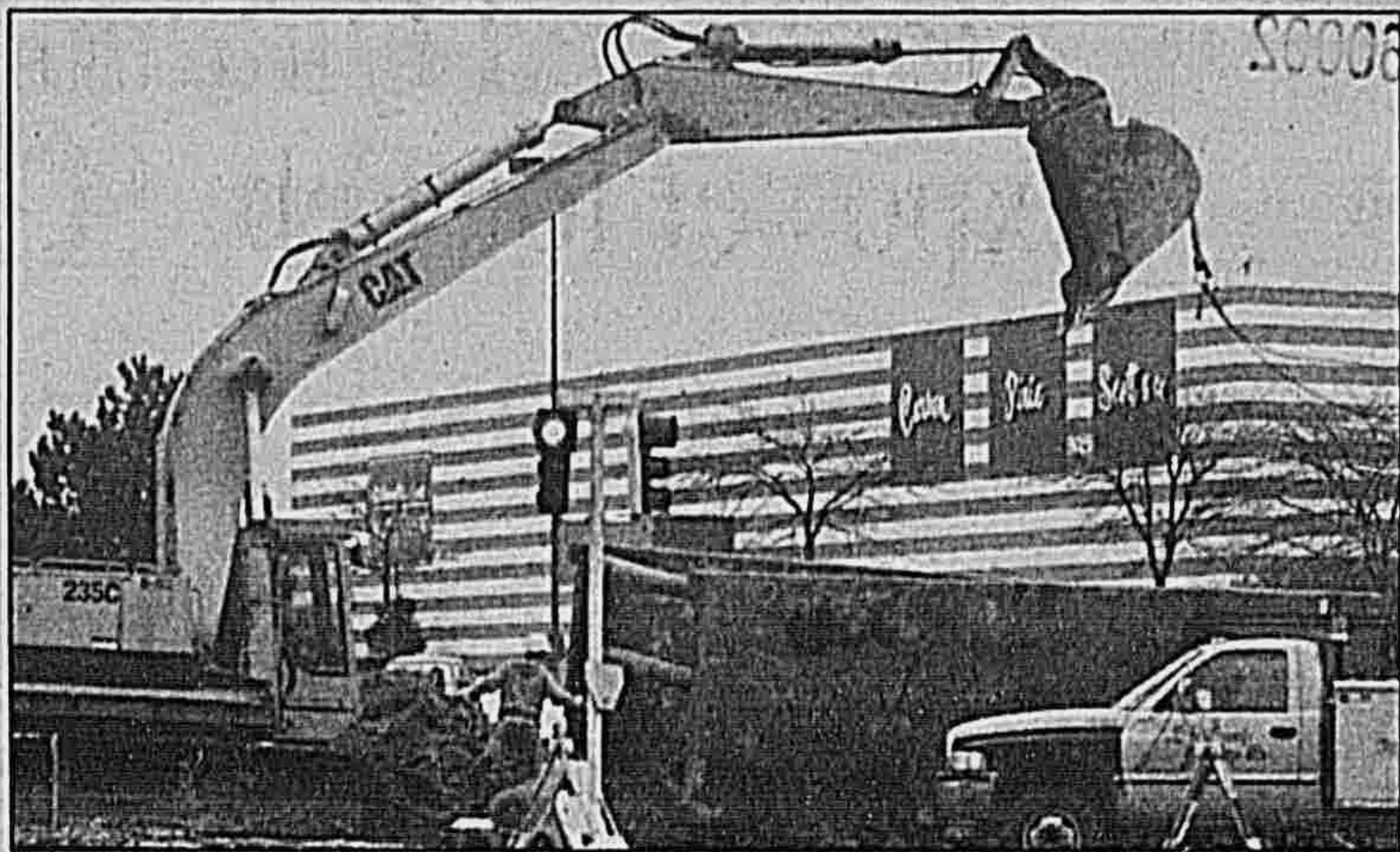
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Time's running out

Carson Pirie Scott in Waukegan will close on Jan. 14, officially marking the end of Lakehurst Mall after 32 years.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

Debate simmering over Brae Loch catering contract

By CAREL SCHMIDLKOFER
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Brae Loch Golf Club is still without a catering contract after months of debate between Lake County Forest Preserve officials.

At issue is an exclusive contract between the district and Catering by Michael's, Inc., a Chicago-based food service enterprise, for the small banquet room at the facility.

According to a report by Revenue Facilities Director, Daniel Prezeli, the facility has missed out on potential revenues totaling \$20,000 due to the deadlock.

It is estimated that figure could double should another six months go by without a food and license agreement.

Detractors don't want an exclusive contract and object to Michael's pricing — which according to its business plan would offer lunch at \$14 and dinners from \$18-21.

Sandy Cole (R-Grayslake) said potential customers within a six-mile radius of the golf course could be lost due to those prices.

"I think people should be given a choice on how much they spend to have an event," she said.

"It's a public facility in one location, unlike others where people have a choice in the types of food and amount of costs."

"To me that's high," said Judy Martini (R-Antioch). "In the geographical area we are in I can't vote for it."

The caterer will be forced to keep their prices in line with area establishments if they want to make money, argued Stevenson Mountsier (R-Barrington).

"People are not going to buy if their prices are too high," he said.

Having multiple services would be a marketing nightmare, said Michael Talbott (R-Lake Zurich).

"They're (other food services) not going to market against their competitor," he said. "So I think the package that was presented to committee with less manpower to manage that and marketing, made it not only the best choice the most feasible choice."

Another concern was the kitchen area, which needs upgrading.

"If we don't have a preferred caterer I

think we're going to have to redo that kitchen ourselves," said Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa).

Without enough votes to carry the motion, the ordinance will go back to committee for review.

The debate has encouraged seven board members to write a joint editorial stating their objection to pressure by some commissioners to rubber stamp the contract by closing the facility to the public.

County's contract continues for golf carts

An ordinance approving a four-year extension for the lease and maintenance agreement for golf and maintenance cars was approved by Forest Preserve officials Dec. 19.

The contract was awarded to E-Z-Go, Division of Textron in Lake Zurich for the price of \$825,912.56.

The contract allows the district to maintain an existing relationship with the vendor without an interruption in service.

Officials negotiated improved products, options and rates with savings of \$20,830 per year and \$83,320 over the life of the agreement.

Robert Sabonjian (D-Waukegan) asked what the benefit was over purchasing vehicles for golf courses.

"They provide the repairs and maintenance, every two years they give us new cars," said Daniel Wentzlhoff, director of finance and administration.

"We get extra benefits. Leasing is more flexible."

There are 285 golf cars, 45 maintenance vehicles, three beverage cars, two passenger cars and two Range pickers provided by the company to the five golf courses in the facility.—By Carel Schmidtkofer

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Swimmers race from the icy waters of Lake Michigan after taking the "Polar Bear Plunge" on New Years Day. The fifth annual event was sponsored by the Waukegan Park District and benefited the Waukegan Special Recreation Athletic Programs.—Photo by J.W. Sternick

Home and Outdoor Expo set for Feb. 14-15

Suburban residents will be enjoy getting out of the house Feb. 14, 15 to enjoy the largest home and outdoor show in Lake County. Of major interest to homeowners will be pre-season discounts offered to show attendees.

Over 150 booths will be on display in two buildings at the Lake County Fairgrounds, located at the intersections of routes 45 and 120 in Grayslake.

Home builders, custom home remodelers, sunroom addition builders, landscapers, window companies, gazebos builders and many more businesses will be on display to answer questions from attendees. Visitors have a chance to learn from local pros about starting winter projects, or plan for springtime to tack-

le home improvement jobs.

This year's expo will include pet rescue and pet-related information. Attendees will have an opportunity to meet and discuss local pet rescue and group adoption opportunities.

Last year's event attracted more than 10,000 visitors, making it one of the largest shows of its kind between Chicago and Milwaukee. Admission is \$3 for adults, or free with a coupon to be run in January editions of Lakeland Newspapers and Market Journal.

The expo, including entertainment and food service, is produced by Home Star Productions. For booth information, call Gary Allison at 847-231-4000. Advertising opportunities can be obtained by calling Lakeland Media at 847-223-8161.

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EDITORIALS

TIF law greases picture of progress

Once again, a much used, abused and ambiguous Illinois law—tax increment financing (TIF)—is being put to a test. School officials hate tax increment financing because it diverts much needed tax income from public education. Developers love TIFs because it provides tax favored and low cost financing. Elected officials are fond of TIFs because they grease the way for commercial development.

The TIF law was put on the books more than three decades ago for the purpose of eliminating blight. In theory, the law brings together the forces of local government and investors to restore hopelessly tainted real property like a collection of slum houses or a long-abandoned factory to useful, productive property on the tax rolls.

To provide inducements for development, taxed-favored bonds are sold to provide income for infrastructure improvements—roads, sewers, water lines. Real estate taxes are “frozen” for the life of the bonds with income from the improvements going to pay for retirement of bonds. Payment of the bonds is guaranteed by the sponsoring municipality.

What constitutes blight always has been a stumbling block. North Shore communities, some of the highest income areas in the nation, have enacted TIFs to spur growth. Some years ago Round Lake Beach TIFd a cow pasture to make way for a shopping center. When TIFs are sidetracked, it's because of the revenue loss suffered by local education plus the basic unfairness to small businesses that can't compete with well-heeled developers.

Otherwise, TIF provides a fast-track for development that pays off in many ways, not the least being the perception that the local council is doing good for all.

The TIF test is unfolding in Fox Lake where attempts are being made to pave the way for a hotel and water park on an debris strewn 18-acre site on Rte. 12. Despite the fact that the site increased in valuation in the latest tax assessment, a group of lawyers designed the location “blighted” under their interpretation of state statutes. They are pushing for tax breaks and guarantees for the \$14.9 million project.

“Blighted? Phooey,” says Fox Lake Trustee Cindy Irwin, a pint-sized pepper pot who operates a small business. She said photos of empty tin cans, miscellaneous junk and construction debris are just for show. “Nothing a dumpster can't fix,” declared Irwin, who says she favors the project—with conventional financing.

The seamy side of TIFs—besides the basic unfairness to schools and small business—is that municipal officials often can “manufacture” blight simply by turning their backs on code enforcement ordinances for health, safety and property maintenance.

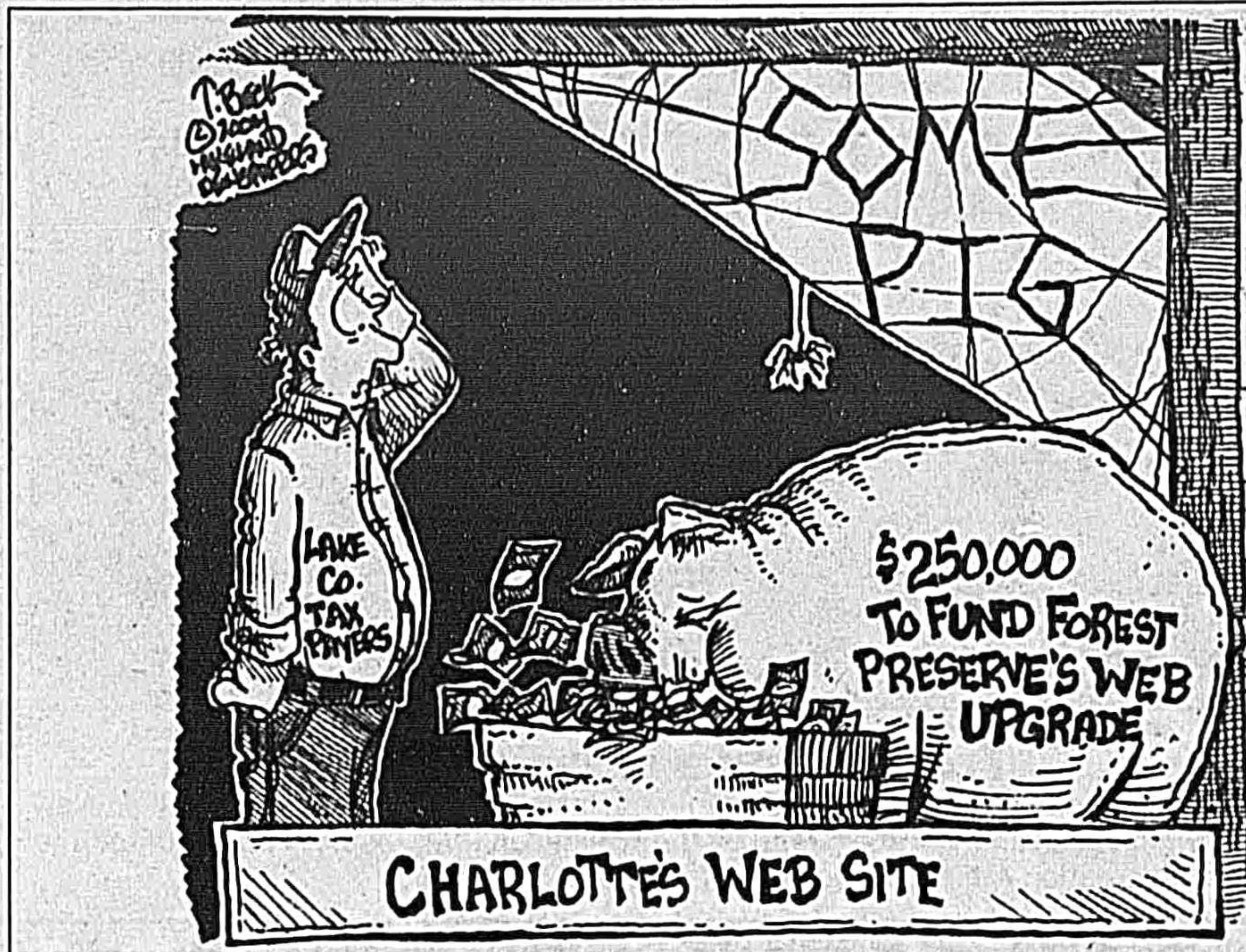
For some reason, the controversial TIF law never has come up for serious review that we're aware of. Probably because of the cozy deals that can be engineered and the difficulty of defining blight. Then there's the question of public liability and taxpayers underwriting additional costs for education brought on by growth and development. But that's another topic.

Find jackpot for scholarships

This is the time of year that scholarship granting organizations shift into high gear. Winning students, both elementary and high school graduates, are recipients of efforts of local organizations like the Chamber of Commerce, civic and fraternal groups, and school sponsored foundations to encourage and recognize academic attainment. With the end of the school year in sight, members of screening committees are doing their homework and pushing for donations to fund awards.

One scholarship granting organization hit the jackpot for funding scholarships with an anonymous gift that could total \$100,000 for the next 10 years. For every \$2 raised by the Lake Villa District 41 Education Foundation, the unnamed donor will contribute \$1 up to an annual contribution of \$10,000. The foundation provides scholarships for elementary school pupils living in Lindenhurst, Lake Villa and Round Lake Beach.

Arthur Neubauer, a retired banker who heads the foundation, likened the unexpected gift to winning the lottery. Young people can always use the money. That same feeling carries over to deserving students who will land scholarships this coming May and June. Ironically, as taxpayer grumbling continues over the mounting costs of funding public education, community sources are giving ever more amounts to public recognition of worthy students in the form of scholarships. That's good, even if somewhat puzzling.



VIEWPOINT

Crime Stoppers set for 21st year

This is Lake County Crime Stoppers Month in the Village of Grayslake, home of the unique crime fighting organization. Good call. Every month could well be Crime Stoppers Month in every Lake County community for all the good deeds compiled by the non-profit organization.

Crime Stoppers, which will be starting its 21st year soon, has recovered more than \$13 million in contraband and stolen property since founded. Over the years, Crime Stoppers of Lake County has paid cash rewards to persons leading to more than 4,100 arrests and convictions.

Following a cash for information philosophy, Crime Stoppers relies on anonymous tips. Callers are identified by number only. Reward money is contributed by sponsoring businesses and individuals. Up to \$1,000 is paid for useful information resulting in the closure of a case.

Despite having the support all law enforcement agencies, Crime Stoppers essentially is a one-man operation. A.O. “Andy” Anderson runs the office and coordinates information, public relations and fund raising. Andy's magic number is 847-548-2937.

Anderson, known as a dapper dresser with a crisp white handkerchief in his lapel pocket, may be packing his bags soon if Grayslake officials authorize another remodeling program for a cramped police station. Once before, Anderson operated for five months out of temporary quarters at the Antioch Police Dept.

Wherever Andy is, he's always ready to take your call with information about a crime or a criminal.



BILL SCHROEDER
Publisher

Remember, no name required.

Lake improvement

Any day now, residents of Lake Antioch are going to begin work on installation of a stone filter at the point of entry of a feeder stream that will slow the siltation process contaminating their lake. They are members of Friends of Lake Antioch who will put to good use a \$5,000 county grant for environmental purposes. Lake Antioch is connected to Lake Marie on the Chain O' Lakes. Great way to start the New Year.

Mad about eating

Leave it to Dr. Bill Dam, the on-the-go internist with luminous comments on issues of the day. Dr. Bill advises that the chance of an American getting bovine spongiform encephalopathy (mad cow disease) are about the same as getting hit by an asteroid. Why all the hysteria? Dr. Dam says it makes a whole lot more sense to worry about children winding up obese who drink soda pop loaded with 10 teaspoons of sugar per can, caffeine and phosphates. Phosphates and caffeine contribute to osteoporosis.

A student who drinks one can per day is twice as likely to have a sports fracture. Dr. Bill wonders about closing down ice cream parlors where sundae fans mix diabetic type sugar with hardening of the arteries type fact which leads to diabetes, gangrene, blindness, heart attacks and strokes. Excess beef contributes to cancer of the colon, prostate, breast and pancreas, leads to arteriosclerotic heart attacks and strokes and is a factor in Alzheimer's. So don't get mad at the poor animals which might have mad cow disease.

Talking about food

Five agencies have a show ready to take on the road to teach elementary school students how a farm runs and how farm-grown products benefit all. The newly formed Lake County Environmental, Farm, Food and 4-H Alliance conducted a successful pre-holiday test run at Green Bay Elementary, North Chicago. Members are the Lake County Farm Bureau, Recycle America Alliance, Solid Waste Agency of Lake County, University of Illinois Extension and the Soil and Water Conservation District of Lake County. Bookings can be arranged by calling Janet Meggison at 847-223-6506.

Correction

In a comment last week about the annual coat collection for the needy sponsored by editorial employees of Lakeland Newspapers, we incorrectly placed Brother Don Thielsen, OFM.Conv., who coordinates distribution, at Maryville. Brother Don is located at Marytown, Libertyville. Our apologies.

Public comment is important at public meetings

I have always been a strong proponent that the public should get involved in public meetings. It is the best way to get elected public officials to be accountable and act responsibly.

Increasingly, public bodies across Illinois are finding ways to severely restrict or totally eliminate the citizen comment period generally allowed at public meetings. Part of the problem is that some citizens have abused the privilege, but that is no reason why public bodies should look at it as a way to deny legitimate public citizen voices to be heard.

Some citizens take it for granted that they have a legal right to speak at public meetings; they don't. However, I believe that public bodies should make every effort to pro-



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John S. Matijevich

mote and continue the time-honored tradition to allow citizens a reasonable opportunity to speak at public meetings.

I bring this up because I watched the recent taping of the December Lake County Board meeting when a former county correctional officer, in my opinion, abused this privilege to speak by bringing up personal matters against a county employee. By naming names, he went too far.

As soon as he uttered the per-

sonal attacks, I believe that Board Chair Suzi Schmidt would have been within her rights to gavel him down and admonish him that because of his personal attacks which may have had criminal impacts, he abused and forfeited the opportunity to further comment at the meeting. I believe that it caught her by such surprise that she was speechless, and she allowed him to complete his comments. After he finished, Suzi did say that his personal remarks were inappropriate. She also said that she believes in giving citizens the chance to be heard at the meetings, but that such remarks were uncalled for and would not be tolerated. She is right.

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PARTY LINES

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Tully carving spot in GOP, 59th District

A new name and a new face bids well to enliven the political scene in the coming months.

Riverwoods Trustee **Paul Tully**, 36, a patent attorney who also has a degree in organic chemistry, hopes to slow Democratic growth in Lake County by derailing first-term state Rep. **Kathy Ryg** (D-Vernon Hills) in the 59th District, which includes Park City, Green Oaks, Mettawa, Vernon Hills, Lincolnshire and Buffalo Grove.

After besting Vernon Hills Mayor **Roger Byrne** by a whisker in 2002, Ryg proved herself as a freshman legislator, especially in working cooperatively with GOP colleagues in the Lake County General Assembly delegation.

Tully, a former Chicagoan, likes the taste of elective politics having served as a village trustee for two years. He and his wife are the parents of three daughters.

The young Republican doesn't buy into the premise that he's on a "Mission Impossible" to unseat Ryg. He points out that 107 votes out of more than 27,000 cast decided the victory for Ryg. "I consider that a draw," he declared.

The Republican candidate, unopposed in



Peterson



Malne

Lending their support to return district to GOP representation.

the March 16 primary, is calling on a brain trust including State Sen. **Bill Peterson** (R-Kildeer) and County Board Rep. **Ann Malne** (R-Lincolnshire). "They've been most supportive," he said.

Rar'in to go

After an enjoyable holiday rest, state Sen. **Adeline Geo-Karis** (R-Zion), dean of the Lake County General Assembly delegation

and one of the longest serving Illinois legislators, is plunging into work again. "I need some down time. I had been going pretty strong," related Geo-Karis about her, end-of-the-year respite. The only downside for the redoubtable political leader was the untimely death of former U.S. Senator **Paul Simon**, with whom she served. "He was a good man, good for Illinois," noted Geo-Karis.

Study assessments

A group formed last year to protest property tax assessment procedures took a step forward with an open forum Friday, Jan. 9, at Grayslake Area Public Library. Interested persons from Avon, Warren and Waukegan townships came to learn about quadrennial assessments. The group has a Web site, www.propertytax.org, offering information. Bryce Carus can supply information at 847-223-6183.

'Battle of the Bobs'

District 62 State Rep. **Bob Churchill** and District 16 Lake County Board member **Bob Powers** have an interesting dilemma.

If Churchill supports his longtime campaign aide **Michelle Daye** in her challenge to unseat Powers, Powers may decide to throw his considerable influence as Avon Township Republican Committeemen Chairman in support of Churchill's challenger **Fernando Salazar**. And when you combine that with the support of Lake Villa Township Chairman **Ted Livengood** and his organization—Salazar could pull off the upset of the year. Stay tuned to party lines for more info on the "Battle of the Bobs."

Gutraj committed

District 6 Lake County Board Candidate **Bryan Gutraj** first surprised incumbent **Don Bauer** by announcing he wanted his job. He tried to get candidate **Larry Leafblad** thrown off the ballot. When you combine that with his turning down of a request by former political powerhouse and candidate **Bob Depke** to drop out of the race, it is clear Gutraj is committed to winning the Republican nomination and has no fear of reprisals. Democratic candidate **Steve Skinner** must surely be enjoying this Republican sideshow.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Eliminating violence

As we at A Safe Place reflect on the joys of this past year, we remember a child traumatized by witnessing domestic violence, who now can stop trying to protect her mother and who can laugh freely and play the games of childhood again;

We remember the fear and hesitation of a non-English-speaking woman who needed an order of protection, and the relief that flooded her face as our bilingual, bicultural staff guided her through the court process to obtain one;

We remember the courage and the pain of women who have left everything behind in fleeing the violence, but who find their inner strength and new hope for a life free from fear in their own homes.

During this holiday season, as individuals and organizations, employee groups and entire communities stepped forward to bring warmth and a feeling of belonging to those who in many cases have dreaded family-centered celebrations this year, more stories have found their voice as the women and children of A Safe Place have responded to your care and compassion;

A postcard from a client who had to flee for her safety conveyed her gratitude and her joy at being able to watch her children play safely by the seaside, no longer in fear of their abuser, saying they were "free—no one can hurt them anymore."

A survivor struggling to gain self-sufficiency for herself and her children who choked back a sob of relief when offered an array of gifts donated by the community for herself and her children to share, knowing that otherwise they would have no holiday;

The excitement in the eyes of a child, worried because she had no money and no way to shop for her mom, who instead could pick out the "perfect" gift from the "holiday shop" set up in the shelter and stocked with gifts from generous donors;

Our children in shelter who gathered around the dining room tables to fashion construction paper cards of thanks for individuals and groups who not only helped them celebrate the season of sharing but who let them know that their lives and their futures do have value in the hearts of strangers.

We at A Safe Place are thankful for the dedication and commitment of our many friends, volunteers and supporters who join us in the promise to fulfill our mission to eliminate domestic violence in the communities we serve. Our best wishes for a safe and prosperous New Year.

*Phyllis A. DeMott
Executive Director
A Safe Place/Lake County Crisis Center*

Obnoxious signs

"Over the river and through the woods to grandmother's house we go."

That is the only way you can travel in Antioch or the rest of Lake County without driving by hundreds and hundreds of obnoxious builders signs along the roadways in Antioch and the rest of the towns in this county.

I am told by village officials in Antioch and Lake County that there are codes and ordinances against this type of sign. However, week after week the signs pop up on the weekends only to be removed by Monday morning. What

I don't see is anyone who gives a tinker about how the roads in and out of the different towns and villages look. One would think the village officials drive around with huge blinders on or perhaps there are commission checks paid on Monday mornings.

It is a shame that not only is the growth exceeding the ability to get anywhere in this area, but while we all sit in traffic hour after hour we get to look at all the stick in the mud signs that the land grabbers put up in the wee hours of the morning to mug us all weekend long.

Wake up all you mayors and code enforcement officers. Take off your blinders.

*John Reeves
Antioch*

Errant fax explained

Dec. 19 the Lakeland Media published a letter from Kathleen Reilly and Mary Bastien, two Bonnie Thomson Carter supporters. These supporters incorrectly and maliciously accused Jim Farrell and Jim Eschenbach of campaign abuse. The only accurate statement in the letter as reported was that Jim Farrell misdialled a fax number.

The fax in question was supposed to be sent to a supporter's home fax. The supporter was helping to organize what turned out to be a very successful event on Nov. 1. Sometimes mistakes happen. Instead of focusing on dialing the phone, let's dial into the issues of Lake County and District 5.

The politics in the Carter camp seem to center around misinformation and a direct attempt to create a divisive atmosphere instead of demonstrating the leadership skills that are needed on the County Board. What you cannot change is the poor record of their candidate on serious issues facing Lake County and District 5. For instance, a Forest Preserve District that appropriates \$13 million to the golf course at Fort Sheridan, and the County Board taking 500 days (that's almost two years) to follow through on an entrance to a subdivision from a county road.

Let's stop the accusations and name calling creating politics of division. Stick to the facts and issues that face each one of us in the district every day and in the future. Vote for Jim Farrell. We can do better.

*Melissa Cook
Wauconda*

Soft on environment

The need for conservation-minded elected officials is great. The need for elected officials to effectively balance the needs of business with the needs of the people is even greater.

President Teddy Roosevelt was a leader in efforts to protect our environment and preserve open space areas for the benefit of generations to come. REP America, the national grassroots organization of Republicans for Environmental Protection, was founded in Lake County to promote Roosevelt's beliefs.

As the Illinois Chapter president of REP America, I ask you to support David W. Phelps,

a lifelong Crystal Lake resident who is challenging Congressman Phil Crane of the 8th District in the Republican primary of March 16.

While Mr. Crane has supported some environmental projects in his district, his overall 34-year voting record on key legislation designed to protect our natural surroundings, as well as the public's health, has been extremely poor. Crane has earned a lifetime score of only 13 percent from the League of Conservation voters. Crane's disappointing environmental voting record can be viewed online at www.lcv.org.

Phelps is the president of the Crystal Lake Park District board. Phelps has been a strong supporter of open space acquisition along with lake and watershed preservation in his community over the past 10 years. Phelps believes that if Congress had aggressively pursued alternative energy sources decades ago, we would be living in a very different world today.

*David R. Herrington
REP America Illinois Chapter President
Lake Villa*

Bigness dictates

I was wondering why the media have not been on top of the recent garbage strike. I live in Grayslake where I missed one week of service. I know others that have missed two weeks of service. BFI in Libertyville gave a discount to its customers if you called in. The village of Grayslake gave us no discount even when we asked for it. Our waste hauler is Waste Management.

I retaliated against the village by reducing my bill by 25 percent. They said I have to pay for 100 percent regardless of Waste Management's vacation. Why should the residents and the businesses pay big business, big union, and big government for a job that was not completed as the contract outlines? I assume my contract with the city is to have pick up every week, not when they want to work and pick up. If I chose to show up to do my job a week later, I would not have a job.

How is that we allow big business and big unions to dictate terms to the common worker? How is it that our local governments buy into the big business and big unions dictating terms? The garbage trucks were not gassed or serviced for one to two weeks. The truck operators were not fully paid for one to two weeks and we are still supposed to pay for 100 percent job, because they picked up everything from one to two weeks.

The Village of Grayslake told me they are negotiating with Waste Management. I am sure if they were they would have publicized this in their monthly newsletter. I am sure they wrote me this just to jerk my chain.

Pretty soon hard working Americans like me will say enough is enough and will take back our communities. We will bring back people who support our hard work and not support lazy government agencies that buy into big businesses, big union, and big government.

*Dave Gorsline
Grayslake*

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It is my understanding that, because of what happened at that citizen comment period, the County Board's Rules Committee has met to recommend to the full board what steps should be taken to make certain that such abuse of the public comment period doesn't occur in the future. There is no doubt that time limits must be put; you can't allow a citizen to speak on and on. Also, it is reasonable for the County Board to restrict the comments so that citizens don't use the forum to launch personal attacks.

This unfortunate incident should not be used, though, as a way to eliminate the citizen comment time provided at the county board meeting. Also, the county board should not overreact and set such stringent rules against public participation at public meetings that the public would feel discouraged to share their comments with the public officials.

It is my understanding that the cities of Zion and North Chicago have already dis-

pensed with the public comment part of city council meetings. That's too bad. I have been told that citizens have attended Waukegan City Council's meetings and were rudely cut off and told to shut up. Elected officials should bend over backward to hear what citizens have to say, even when it isn't what they would like to hear.

By the way, some public bodies make citizens fill out forms before they can comment. I don't believe that is necessary, nor do I believe that they should be forced to give prior notice "to say their piece," nor do I think that they must sign their names and addresses before they are allowed to speak. Nothing should be done to make them less comfortable about "speaking their minds" at a public forum.

At the Lake County Board meeting that I watched, a U.S. Congressman was allowed to speak almost endlessly. I believe that it is appropriate to save some of the County Board meeting time to hear from the citizens, too.

New laws for new year

By CHRISTY BLANDFORD
Lakeland Correspondent

Illinois residents planning to have their tongues forked now must have a doctor or dentist perform the procedure, or they will have to fork over money to pay a fine, according to a new state law.

New legislation on tongue splitting, in which the tip of the tongue is sliced in order to resemble the tongue of a serpent, is just one of the new laws that state legislators enacted for the new year, effective Jan. 1.

Children under the age of 8 that weigh less than 40 pounds are now required to be secured into a car or booster seat under new state law.

Children weighing more than 40 pounds, however, do not have to be restrained a car seat, but they must be seated in the back of the vehicle with a seatbelt fastened.

Grayslake Police Commander Matt McCutcheon said police are ready to enforce the law.

"I'm sure they had some studies they did that suggested that (changing the law to encompass children up to 8 years old) would be beneficial," he said. "It's the law and we'll abide by it."

Gurnee Police Chief Robert Jones said he does not think it is unreasonable to require children up to 8 years old to ride in a car seat.

"I think it will help save some lives and I don't think 8 is too old to be in the car seat," Jones said.

Teenage drivers are the target of another state law enforceable this year. Sixteen and 17 year olds are not allowed to drive with more than one passenger who is under 20 years old during the first six months they possess a driver's license.

But family members are an exception: There are no restrictions on the number of siblings, step-siblings, children and stepchildren who are in the car with drivers under 18 years old.

Limiting the number of teenage passengers who are permitted to ride with new drivers can provide fewer distractions and boost teenagers' driving skills, Jones said. He thinks limiting passengers for the first six months is the first step in decreasing driver distractions.

"I think it's great," he said. "I think (six months) is a good starting point and perhaps there will be some evaluation of the stats at some point. The more experience (teenage) drivers can have behind the wheel without distractions certainly helps them become better drivers."

Teenagers should also expect to find more money in their paychecks if they are making minimum wage. A

new law raises state minimum wage to \$5 per hour for teenagers under 18, and \$5.50 for workers over 18 years old, said Stephanie Noble, spokeswoman for the state labor department. The national minimum wage is \$5.15 per hour.

Employees over 18 years old should also expect another increase in their paychecks as minimum wage will raise to \$6.50 effective Jan. 1, 2005, Noble said.

Men and women who have equivalent qualifications performing the same job will now receive identical salaries, under the Equal Pay Act, Noble said. The act does not apply to salaries designated by non-gender based factors such as seniority, quantity or quality of production or merit, Noble said.

Dave Young, president of Lake County Partners, a business organization, said his organization did not take any positions on the Equal Pay Act or the new minimum wage law. But he said he thinks as minimum wage increases, consumers will face higher costs for retail and personal services.

"When you increase the cost of labor by 10 percent it will have an impact," he said. "It will pass the cost onto the consumer."

'The more experience (teenage) drivers can have behind the wheel without distractions certainly helps them become better drivers'

Robert Jones
Gurnee police chief

Catholic school test date nears

Eighth-graders who plan to enter one of the Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic secondary schools in Cook and Lake counties should take the high school placement test on Saturday, Jan. 10, 2004, at the high school they plan to attend.

Students should report to the Catholic high school of their choice at 8 a.m. and bring \$25 and two No. 2 pencils. Advance registration is not necessary.

"We encourage all students interested in attending a Catholic high school to take the placement

test," said Dr. Nicholas Wolsonovich, superintendent of the Archdiocese of Chicago Catholic schools. "The test is the first step in the process of admission to Catholic secondary school. We also consider the student's elementary records and we talk with teachers and parents. More than 90 percent of students who take the test are accepted into the school of their choice."

Results will be in the mail by Feb. 15. Each of the high schools in the Archdiocese is accredited by the North Central Association

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The Benjamin Green-Field Residence at Lamb's Farm where developmentally disabled residents live.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

LAMBS

to prove or disprove allegations of abuse.

"That's a major part of the problem with Lambs Farm," Leonard said. "The reason that we could or did not cite them for abuse is because there was not enough information to determine if abuse had actually occurred. Lambs Farm did not report the abuses and follow state guidelines."

None of the alleged 2003 incidents resulted in any significant physical injury to residents, according to the public health reporting on Green-Field.

The department investigated three (Type A-most serious) alleged incidents of physical and/or emotional abuse at Lamb's Farm between February and July of 2003, citing Green-Field's failure in each instance:

- To follow state guidelines in dealing with employees suspected of abuse;
- To canvass other employees and residents, seeking evidence of similar incidents;
- To notify relatives or guardians of residents allegedly abused.

Full text of the complaint against Green-Field is at www.idph.state.il.us/aboutnursing_homes_violations03/12.30.03.htm.

An element of the late reporting, which the state contends has been "an ongoing issue" at Green-Field, has been some employees' fear of negative consequences if they complain to administrators about abuse by fellow employees.

In one state finding, "(An employee) stated that she thought (another employee) felt she might get into trouble for talking about or reporting her peer and hence did not make the reports until five days after the June 15, 2003 incident and 36 hours after the June 19, 2003 incident."

A condensation of IDPH Type A Guidelines, says that any licensed facility is required: to notify the IDPH within 24 hours of any incident or accident; to provide a narrative summary of each serious accident or incident within seven days; to notify the resident's family, guardian or agency responsible for his or her care; to

report findings immediately to the facility administrator; to investigate any reported or suspected abuse and "based on credible evidence," to bar any employee from further residents investigation, prosecution or disciplinary action.

The IDPH concluded that Green-Field did not meet these requirements in any of the alleged incidents.

In the wake of the just-released state information on the Green-Field fines, Lambs Farm issued a short, faxed response, expressing shock and indignation that the IDPH released information to the media.

Dianne Yaconetti, president and CEO of Lambs Farm, said the state is wrong to release to the media information of fines and sanctions, "as if these things are fact," but the IDPH's Leonard said reporting of fines and sanctions is standard procedure.

Yaconetti, reacting to the state findings that some Green-Field staff and residents are reluctant to report suspected abuse, ridiculed the notion that intimidation plays any part in the reporting issue.

Yaconetti said she agreed on the need for timely reporting of suspected abuse and that Green-Field will certainly comply with state guidelines in the future. But, she added, on-site Green-Field administrators are in a better position to judge if an employee poses any threat to residents, once questions have been asked.

Leonard, apprised of Yaconetti's comment, reiterated state guidelines are not ambiguous about the immediate removal from further contact of any employee suspected of abuse, especially suspected Type A incidents.

Yaconetti, president for three years and a long-time board member, said Lambs Farm's 43-year history of fine service to Lake County residents and beyond should be taken into account by those wishing to criticize the agency's work. "The public knows that Lambs Farm is the most pristine agency dealing with developmentally disabled people in state," she said.

Of the specific allegations of abuse at Green-Field that were not resolved, Yaconetti said "they were all unsubstantiated. We did not find anything (evidence of mental or physical abuse) in our investigation."

BODY

Wipper.

The body probably had not been at the scene for more than 24 hours, he said.

An autopsy could not determine the cause of death, but tests indicate the man was in his late teens to early 20's, weighing about 120 pounds and approximately 5 feet, 3 inches tall. The man's race could not be determined due to the burns.

The victim had suffered respiratory ailments and had abdominal surgery in the past that resulted in the removal of his appendix, Wipper said.

The 4-5-inch vertical scar to the left of the center of his body is important, said Valco, because it means the abdominal surgery may have been exploratory in nature for another ailment and the appendix was removed at that time.

Usually, surgical incisions to remove an appendix are horizontal, he said.

Authorities are asking for the public to call with any information.

The removal of the hands and head and attempted destruction of the body by fire are obvious attempts to conceal the man's identity, said Valco.

But what is frustrating to authorities is that since the incident has been publicized no one has come forward with information or has reported a missing person fitting the description.

"Nobody, I mean nobody has called," Valco said. "Usually when you have a homicide we get dozens of calls and in this case none."

Anyone with information about the identity of the man or the crime is encouraged to contact the task force at 847-377-4178 or the North Chicago Police Department at 847-596-8740.

WAITING

"Since they took my husband from a civilian job and civilian insurance to the military, it's put us in a spiral down," Donna said.

When you try to ask your creditors for leniency when you tell them your husband is in a war zone, she said she's constantly told, "We're not at war any more."

Seeking relief under the Soldiers and Sailors Relief Act of 1940 to reduce loan interest rates has been tough, Donna said.

"A couple moved (the interest rate on their debt) to zero. It's taken me four months to recover. We lost his income for a while. Now it's catch-up time," Donna said. "It's hurt our credit terribly. I've had to cut back on my hours to be here with the boys. I've had to put my own business on the back burner."

Next week: Chris Jr. has a special question to ask; Will father and son see each other before one returns home?

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The Internet is becoming as necessary as electricity and indoor plumbing. As its usefulness grows, so does the need to deliver a fast, reliable Internet connection to PCs and other home appliances.

Whether it's downloading directions, instant messaging, uploading your favorite photos or simply sending e-mails with attachments, the Internet is the backbone of modern communication. Today, access to it is as critical at home as it is in the workplace. For that reason, many new homes are built with telephone, cable and Category 5 (Ethernet data cable) wiring bundles; making high-speed data transfer only a plug-in away. However, most people don't have the convenience of Ethernet jacks throughout their homes, resulting in expensive and messy data cable installations. In 2002, more than 1.5 million homeowners installed their own wireless network, and if Jupiter Research is right, these wireless networks will surpass wired ones by 2005.

The Web's transition from a place for text and images to one that includes a repository of video, animation and audio is proceeding rapidly. New uses of the Web require higher-speed Internet connections, and its usefulness is greatly enhanced by the ability to share those connections.

The evolution of wireless technology reflects that "need for speed," as the newest generation of products categorized as 802.11g are typically five times faster than the older technology (802.11b). The new 802.11g technology is compatible with earlier products and handles data transfer typically at 54 mega bits per second (Mbps) compared to 11 Mbps of 802.11b. However, products from U.S. Robotics 802.11g Wireless Turbo family

perform at an incredible 100 Mbps with the company's exclusive Accelerator Technology. At these blazing speeds, downloading MP3s, streaming video, large audio clips and uploading big files is quick and painless.

What's needed?

Creating a reliable, wireless network requires only three things. First on the list is an Internet connection. While broadband (DSL or Cable Internet) is a necessity for high-speed downloads, dial-up can work if wireless connectivity is the main goal. With broadband, the service likely has a modem device (with a single Ethernet port to connect to the computer), or a router (with multiple-Ethernet ports).

The second thing you need is a wireless access point or router. That piece of equipment allows you to share the broadband connection wirelessly. If you have an integrated router/broadband modem you will only need an access point. If you have a single port broadband modem, you will need an access point with an integrated router. You will also need a wireless card or adaptor to allow PCs and other devices to access the wireless network. They come in three basic formats: PC cards for laptops, PCI cards for desktop PCs, and USB for any machine that supports USB. Installing a network is relatively easy and will dramatically change the way the Internet is used at home.

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ing a network's components, the following should be taken into consideration.

- Speed — Faster is better. It may not make much difference today, but it will later.
- Security — There are several techniques to provide security for a wireless network and the higher-bit encryption numbers offer better security.
- Compatibility — 802.11g devices run at a minimum of 54Mbps, and are typically compatible with the older 11Mbps 802.11b products but not with 22Mbps 802.11b+ products.

• Coverage — Pay attention to what vendors say (or don't say) about the size of coverage areas.

• Reputation — Go with a company that you are confident will be around in the future. Over time these products often can be upgraded with software enhancements that provide improved performance or new features.

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Join others for low-cost, nutritional meals in the hospital cafeteria daily. A speaker or educational program of interest accompanies one meal each month. Reservations are not necessary. For more information, call 847-535-6176. Date: Thursday, Jan. 15; Time: 4 - 6:30 p.m.

CPR: Save a Life

Learn infant, child and adult CPR through the American Heart Association's Pediatric and Heartsaver course. Participants receive first aid instruction for choking, as well as information about heart disease, causes and prevention of injury, and cardiopulmonary arrest in children. This is a one-day course. Date: Saturday, Jan. 10. Time: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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VISTA HEALTH

Vista Health's Senior Spirit sets luncheon schedule

Vista Health will again present its series of Senior Spirit luncheons in 2003. The low-cost events include a buffet lunch with beverage and an informational speaker. Cost is just \$2 for members of Senior Spirit and \$3 for non-members. Members must show their cards at the door. Reservations will be taken up to five days before each event. To make a reservation, call 1-800-843-2464. This month, the Senior Spirit luncheon is: December 16, Victory Memorial Hospital Same Day Surgery Conference Room, Waukegan. Topic will be "Handling Grief at the Holidays".

CONDELL MEDICAL CENTER

Childbirth education classes

The childbirth education classes at Condell Medical Center, 801 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, will enhance and complement your doctor's advice. Taught by trained, certified instructors, these classes provide understanding, support and information that will take the expectant couple from pregnancy through the postpartum period, and help them to adjust to the changes that having a baby brings. Classes cover a variety of subjects including Pondering Pregnancy, Early Pregnancy, Childbirth Refresher, Infant Development, Grandparents Class, Basically Breast-feeding, Breast-feeding and Working and Caring for Baby. Call 847-990-5407, or in Spanish: 847-990-1289.

Adult fitness classes

Centre Club hosts Adult Fitness Classes from 8:45 - 9:45 a.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Prairie View Park Building, 16652 Port Clinton Road., Vernon Township. This class is the former Senior Fitness class that was held at the Condell Acute Care Center in Buffalo Grove. A certified Centre Club instructor leads exercises to music from the 1940s, '50s and '60s. The cost is \$3 per class. The first class is free. Call Centre Club, 847-990-5742 or Vernon Township, 847-634-4600.

Support group for parents and caregivers of children with special needs

If you're looking for a group of understanding people in a comfortable setting where you can exchange ideas about caring for children with special needs, Condell Health Network's Pediatric Alternatives in Creative Therapy (PACT) now offers an evening support group. Share trials and triumphs with PACT social worker Laura Vock and other parents and caregivers who face similar challenges. Meetings take place the second and fourth Monday of every month at 6 p.m. at the PACT office at 755 S. Milwaukee Ave., Suite 283, in Libertyville. For information, call 847-573-4392 and leave a message.

HEALTHWATCH

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Should we stay together for the kids?

Hi Dr. Singer,

My husband and I have been having marital problems for a long time. We have pretty much decided that a divorce would be the best decision for us, but we keep putting things off because we have kids. Our battles are very obvious, even though we try to keep a lid on it. The kids can feel the stress between us and in the household. We wondered what your opinion is about staying together for the kids' sake? F.L.

Dear F.L.,

I'm very sorry for your difficult situation. My first advice to you is that this is not the kind of thing that should be handled in a column. This needs counseling. Later on, I will give you some suggestions for finding a therapist. Other than that, I will tell you about some other situations I have seen, but please understand that I do not know enough about your specific situation to give you direct advice and a specific decision. I will tell you that the sooner you get into counseling about this, the sooner you will get control over your overt battles and be able to reduce the stress in the home for your kids. This is something I will tell you, you have to do.

In my opinion, kid's adjustment to parental problems is more a function of the level of open and overstress, than the actual situation between the parents. Kids may not even know all the details, but if they sense a lot of stress or danger, it will effect their well-being, sometimes in a disastrous way.

I have seen it both ways. Situations in which the parents stay together for the kids and those who divorce and take their chances. In families where there has been a ton of open conflict and screaming, after separation, parents have reported that their kid's stress level has gone down. In that situation, the lower stress level is obviously due



PARENT'S PLACE

Dr. Sherri Singer

to less open conflict. The true question here is whether a divorce needs to occur to manage conflict? Now, in other situations, kids are paralyzed with fear at the concept of their parents getting a divorce and the stress goes up. Again, I will say that the underlying reason that a child does better or worse from a divorce is whether the conflict goes up afterwards or down. If the conflict dissipates and the child still has access to both parents, adjustment can be better.

Having access to both parents is another very important part here. The less the disruption, the better for the child. Of course, in the event of a divorce, parents live in separate places, but once the child understands that he or she can see the other parent when needed, they eventually become more secure with that and stress goes down. Keep in mind that if you are in any way using your child as a pawn against your spouse, your behavior will result in some very uncomfortable conclusions. Kids that feel unsafe and bounced around when young, will turn around when older and make you feel unsafe and bounced around. Think about this when you try and get that child to side with you against the other parent. This happens far too often and should not.

So, I cannot recommend what you should or should not do in terms of whether to get divorced or not. Divorce is a very personal decision and has to be between the couple. If you feel that your children would benefit from a reduction in combat, you

need to make one decision. That decision may be counseling. If you feel that your children would be completely traumatized by a separation, then you know your decision needs to go another way. You need to do what is in the best interest of your children and not yourself. Try to take a few steps back to be sure your decisions are for them and not disguised for you. Who's right and who's wrong should not be the 1st priority. Trying to make life as 'bumpless' as possible for your kids is what really counts. Remember to get counseling as soon as possible. I don't do marital counseling, but you can find good marital counselors through family Doc's, employee assistance programs and even the yellow pages has gads of them.

Dr. Singer is a Psychologist who regularly works in person with readers of this column improving kids attention, behavior, processing and learning skills fast. She has been an ADD Coach to many kids on meds and has also trained the skills of many other labeled kids who are not on medication to take them to attention, behavior and learning heights their parents never dreamed they were capable of. Dr. Singer is starting maternity leave in March and is now scheduling people for June evaluations for the attention/behavior improvement program. For an appointment call (708) 962-2549 or (847) 231-5644. Dr. Singer's office is located in Grayslake.

To stay healthy this winter, use common sense

Now that the ice, snow and arctic temperatures have arrived in full force, follow these suggestions from the experts at Lake Forest Hospital for staying safe and healthy this winter.

"To avoid frostbite and hypothermia, do all those things your mother told you to do," advises John Longano, MD, emergency department medical director. Wear boots, gloves or mittens, a hat and a scarf to cover your nose and face. Don't get your feet or hands wet, and watch out for wet hands and feet in children playing in the snow. If you start to feel tingling, get out of the cold. And listen to weather advisories. "If they say it's dangerous to be outside, believe them," says Dr. Longano.

Ice sports enthusiasts need to use caution and heed warnings about ice conditions. Contact the police department or other local resource to verify that the ice is safe. Pond skaters need to be especially cautious; consider finding a nearby rink where you and your kids can skate worry-free.

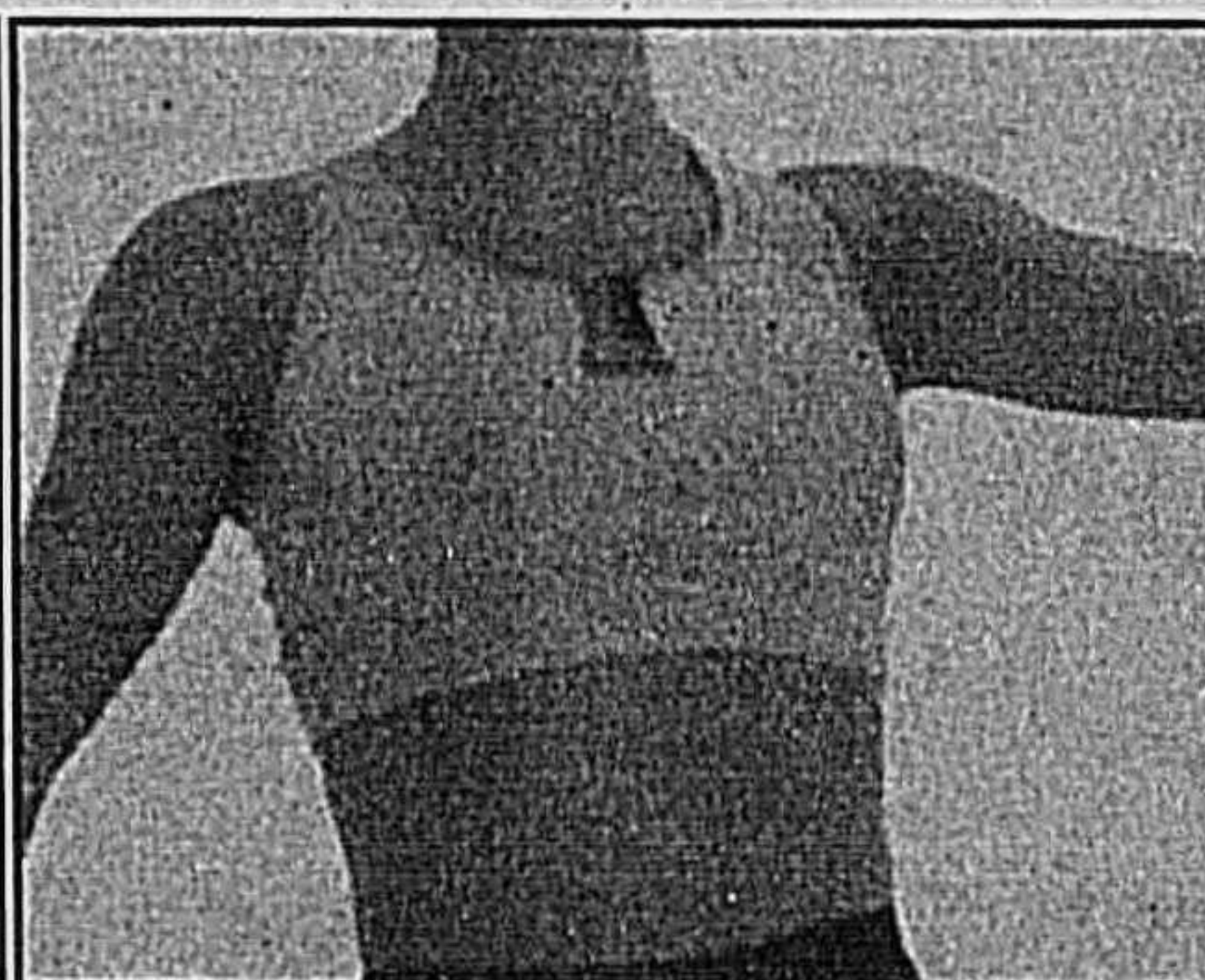
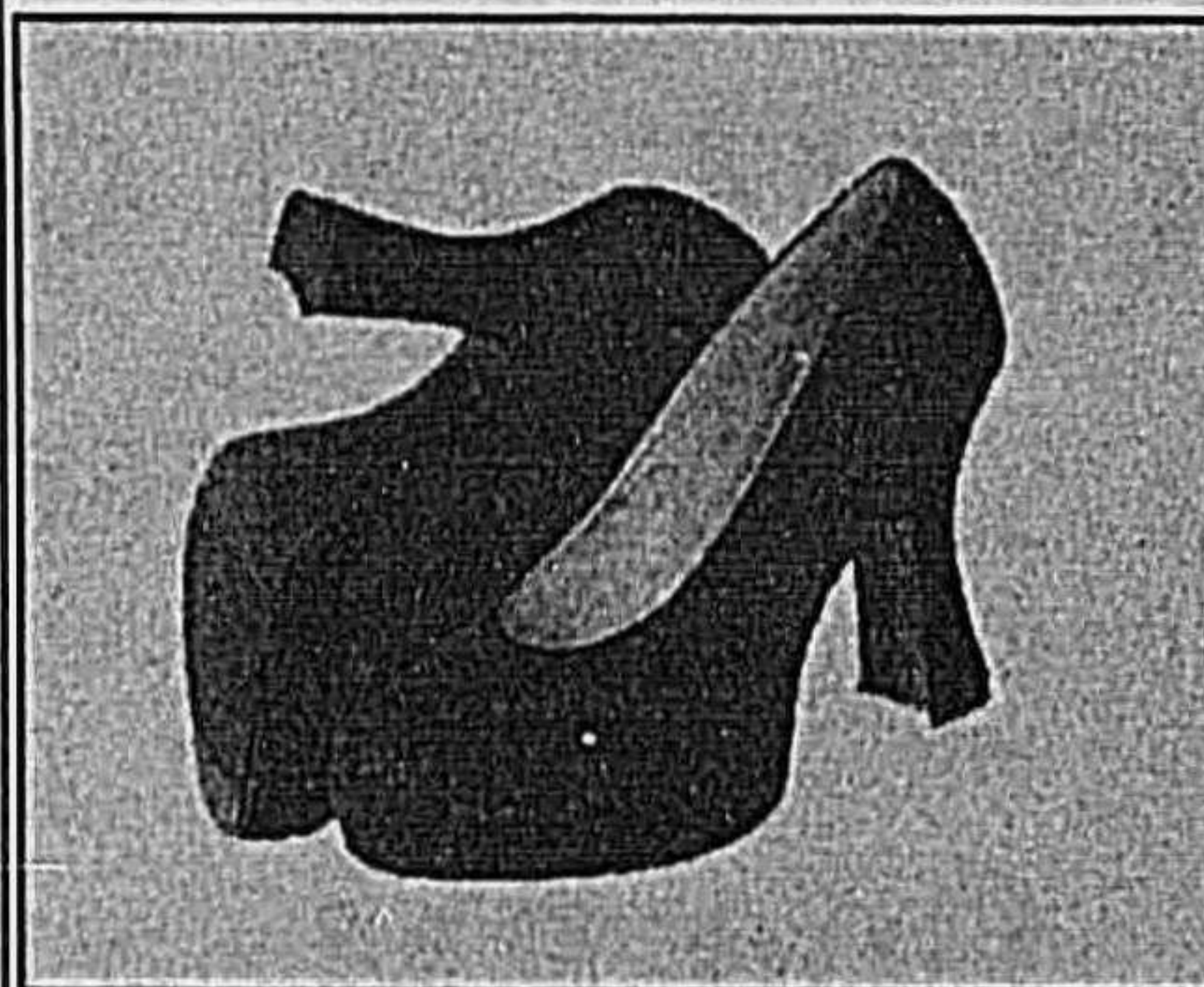
To avoid slips and falls, wear your least slip-prone shoes — not pumps or dress shoes. For foolproof traction, consider purchasing crampons that attach to your boots. Older people and others at risk for fractures should consider staying indoors during ice conditions.

Hand Surgery Associates, a group of Lake Forest hand surgeons, report that every year people have their hands maimed or amputated as a result of improper snow blower use. Never put your hands in a snow blower. The blades can harm you even when the machine is off. Instead, they recommend using a stick or broom handle to clear impacted snow or debris.

Don't underestimate the intense exertion required to shovel snow. "Just as you wouldn't begin an exercise program without first seeing your doctor for a physical, you shouldn't shovel without being sure you can handle it," says Dr. Longano. To be safe, he advises that men over 35 refrain from shoveling altogether.

To avoid back strain if you do shovel, Lake Forest Hospital's Health & Fitness Center recommends that you plant your feet firmly apart, bend your knees slightly, firm your stomach muscles, use your legs to help lift the load, keep your arms close to your body and don't twist your back to empty the shovel — instead, turn your whole body.

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Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital now offers Look Good...Feel Better session

Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital, Barrington, is now sponsoring monthly Look Good...Feel Better® sessions. The first session will be held January 13, 9-11:30 a.m. adjacent to Good Shepherd Hospital in Medical Office Building II, Suite G90; subsequent meetings will be held the first Monday of each month. Look Good...Feel Better® is a free program that teaches beauty techniques to woman cancer patients that are in active treatment to help them combat the appearance-related side effects of cancer treatment. Participants will work with a trained cosmetologist who will teach them how to cope with skin changes and hair loss using cosmetics and skin care products. Patients will receive makeover tips, complimentary cosmetic kits along with instruction booklets. They will also learn easy to disguise hair loss with wigs, scarves and other accessories. This pro-

gram is offered in partnership with the American Cancer Society, The National Cosmetology Association and the Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance (CTFCA) Foundation. Space is limited, for more information and to register, call HealthAdvisor at 1-800-3 ADVOCATE (323-8622).

Good Shepherd Hospital offers a nationally recognized cancer program that has been accredited by the American College of Surgeon's commission on cancer. The hospital incorporates a full range of inpatient and outpatient oncology services, trained personnel, support groups and education programs in the treatment of cancer. The hospital's state-of-the-art services include Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy (IMRT), the Breast Care Center, designed for the special needs and privacy of women seeking mammograms and needlecore breast

biopsy; a comprehensive Oncology Care Registry.

Good Shepherd Hospital is Good Shepherd Hospital is located north of Barrington on Highway 22, two miles west of Route 59 and affiliated with Advocate Health Care, one of the largest health care organizations in the Chicago area.

Oak Brook-based Advocate Health Care, the largest health care provider in Illinois, has ranked among the nation's top 10 health care systems for five straight years. A faith-based, non-profit system, Advocate is related to both the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the United Church of Christ. Advocate's 200+ sites of care in metropolitan Chicago include eight acute care

hospitals and two children's hospitals, a home health care company, Chicago's largest contracting and care management organization, and three of Chicago's largest medical groups. One of every three physicians in Chicago is part of Advocate's nearly 4,600-member medical staff. With more than 24,500 employees, Advocate is the third largest private employer in Chicago and the only health care provider listed among the 25 best places to work in Chicago. Through a long-term academic and teaching affiliation with the University of Illinois at Chicago Health Sciences Center, Advocate trains more resident physicians than any non-university teaching hospital in Illinois.

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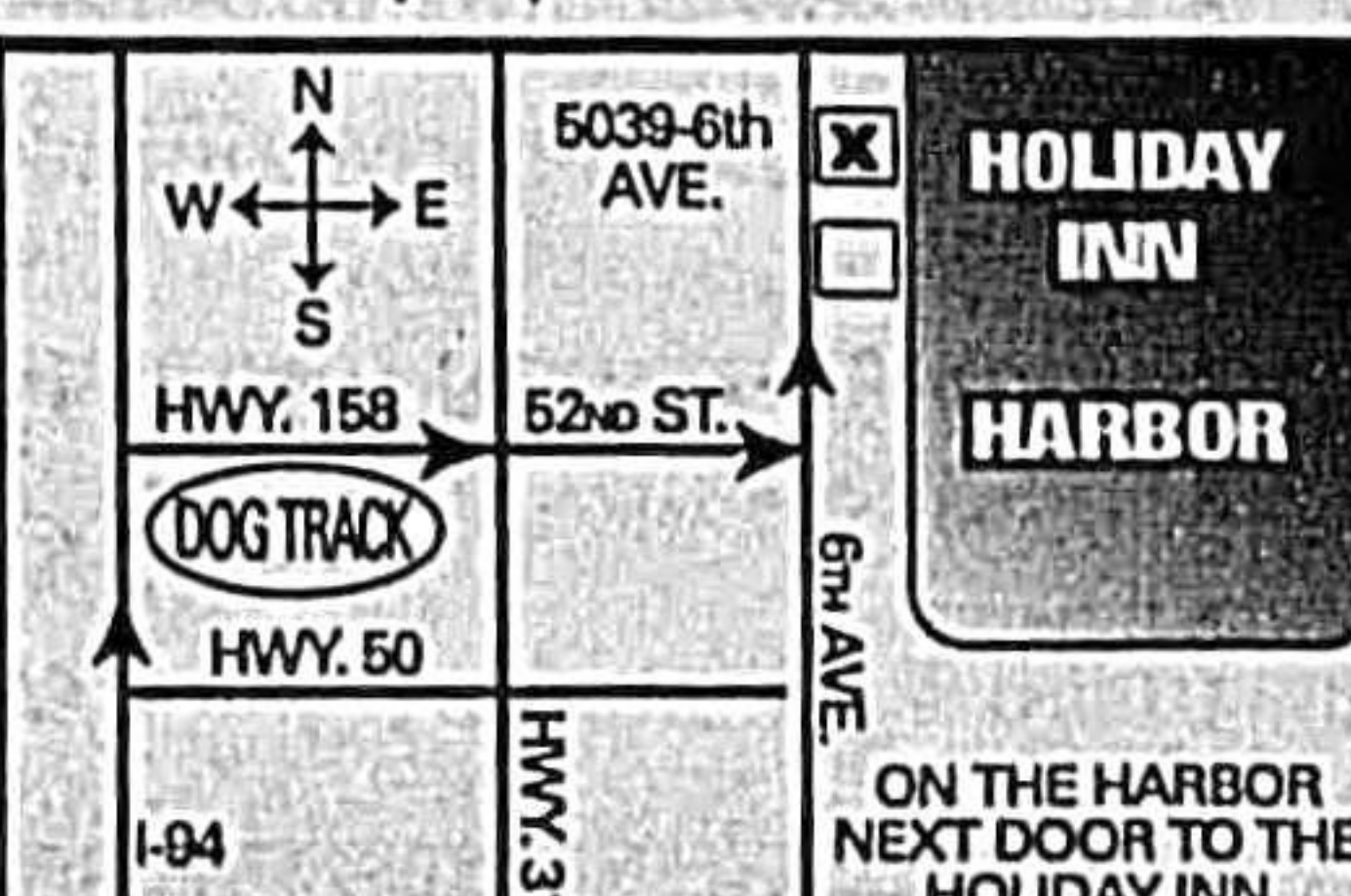
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Devil, Corsair grapplers fare well at Carmel Invite

By STEVE PETERSON
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The future looks bright for the Warren High School wrestling team.

Three freshmen won their weight classes and the Blue Devils came home with the team championship, beating out Harvard, at the Carmel Wrestling Invitational.

Jon Gonzalez at 103 pounds, Brennan Drew at 119 and Bill Lewis at 145 won their respective weight classes. Warren had 144 points going into the final round and won, 176-168 over runner-up Harvard.

Gonzalez pulled out a win in the title round over Brad Bolen of Oak Park River Forest with a fall in 3:11. Drew edged Harvard's Victor Picardo 5-4 and Bill Lewis beat Rob Brady of Harvard 14-3.

"I just took advantage of a mistake he made," Gonzalez said of his final round. "The team title is real satisfying. We had a lot of guys come through."

All three freshmen had very successful eighth grade seasons. "They are the real deal. We have a good group that works hard. The ninth graders are a big part of the future of wrestling. They're all tough," said Warren coach Mark Tiffany. "We're a young team that will take our lumps early. I tell our team that the first half of the season is a preparation for the second half. We won the Westosha tournament, so we have won the last two tournaments. It is nice to see some kids step up. If we get that momentum going a little bit, no one wants to be the guy left out."

"I have been wrestling since I was in second grade. I was a state champ in IKWF," Drew said. "The guy from Harvard was my toughest opponent because they are a tough Class A school."

Gonzalez was down 7-3 before he rallied to win. "He is like that. He never gives up. He has already avenged a couple of losses," Tiffany said.

Ryan Stolarik won the title at 135 for

Warren. He battled Darrin Kopp of Plainfield South and came away with a 5-4 win. "He always finds a way to win," Tiffany said.

Justin Carlson at 125 won two matches by falls to reach the finals. He gave Chris Haney of Plainfield South a tough battle in an 8-4 loss.

Kyle Maguire made the finals at 171 for Warren, before losing to Adam Schultz by a close 1-0 score. Warren was guaranteed third place at 215 in a unique bracket. Teammates Joe Baruffi and Pat Bokor were faced off against each other. Baruffi won in just four seconds. Blake Johnson took third for Warren at 112, with an 11-6 win in the finals over Hugo Sandoval of Harvard.

The win was Warren's second in the team title. Points were also gained by Adam Hooczko, fourth at 125 as was Willie Brooks at 160 and Jamie Jacobo at 189.

Host Carmel had a highlight when Joe Samudovsky beat Marco Lagos of Schurz 7-0 in the final.

"He had a good tournament. I'm proud of him," said Carmel coach Joe Scordino.

Carmel finished fourth with 111 points.

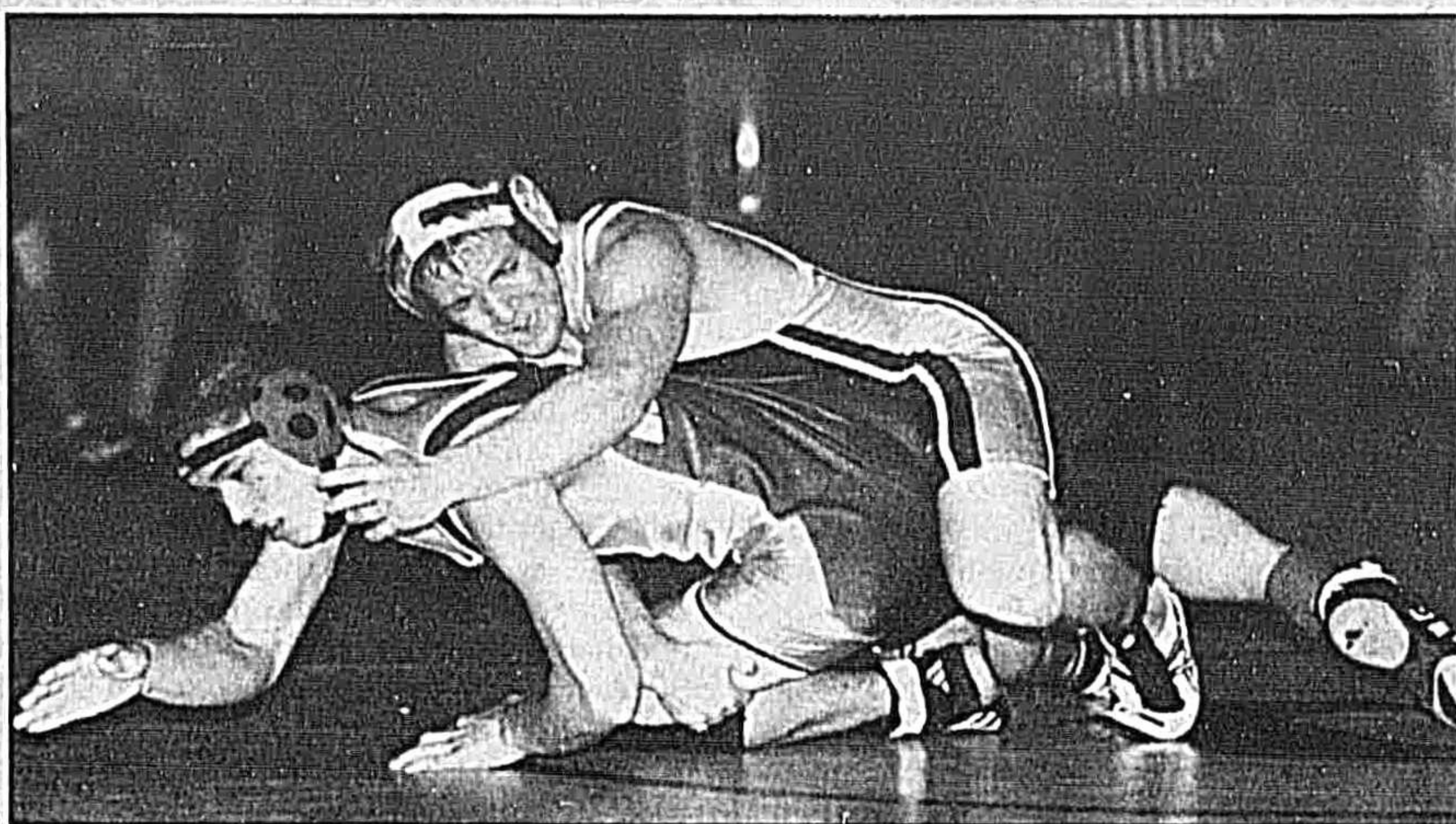
"It's a very good measuring stick for us. The matches were videotaped, so maybe they can see the things that we have been talking about," Scordino said.

Bernie Vazquez reached the final at 189. He fought Chibuke Envia of Oak Park River Forest before losing 7-5.

Jaran Rutledge, who had won eight of his first nine matches at 215 pounds, lost to Dan Haeflinger of Harvard in the final, 12-1.

Place winners for Carmel included D.J. Fairfield, who was fourth at 103 and Mike Berrones at 135 and Joe Schnur at 140. A.J. Feldman at 171, Jack Lawlor at 275 and Chris Borozan was fourth at 119. Erv Carballo took third at 145.

Final team standings: Warren 176, Harvard 168, Oak Park River Forest 129.5, Carmel 111, Lake Forest 98, Plainfield South 93, Simeon 36, Schurz 18.



Carmel's Joe Schnur battles Warren's Kevin Yahiro to take the win in the 140-pound weight class during the Carmel Invitational. Warren won the overall competition.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

Corsairs nip Rams in defensive battle

By STEVE PETERSON
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Determination was the watchword for several fronts as Grayslake and Carmel's boys basketball teams looked to gain momentum for the second half of the season.

Carmel outlasted Grayslake 35-33 for its second win.

Matt Mulvaney and Andrew Forshee of Grayslake marked determination and Carmel's Sean Dolan and the Corsairs ability to hang on after almost blowing a 16-point lead.

Dolan scored nine points to lead the winners. Senior Jack Simmons added eight.

"Dolan is one of the hardest workers on the floor. He was a 'B' player on the freshman team. But he worked hard for three years on his game," said CHS coach Joe Molloy.

Mulvaney led all scorers with 14 points. He teamed with Forshee as being the point man on the Rams' pressing defense that near-

ly pulled the game out.

Mulvaney is more than glad to be back into the lineup. He missed the first few weeks of practices and games due to recovering from a collapsed lung.

"This is his fifth game and really, truly his second game. We had to work him in slow. Health wise, I think that he is close to 100 percent," Rams coach Tim Bowen said. "He just has to get floor acclimated. It happened during football seven-on-seven. He was excited about getting out there."

Mulvaney said he received much support from his teammate while recuperating. His condition required surgery. "Doctors tell me there is a 99 percent chance that it will not happen again. It was killing me to sit and watch those games. My teammates were behind me the whole way. They came to visit me in the hospital, they were behind me 100 percent. I had a pain during our tryouts and

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CLC still searching for consistency

By ROB BACKUS
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You never know which team will show up. One game CLC will play its heart out, and pull out a victory, the next game the team will get blown out.

In the semifinals of the DuPage Tournament, the Lady Lancers overcame an eight-point deficit at halftime and came back to win 61-58.

Erica Brown led CLC with 22 points and 15 rebounds, and her two free-throws with 9.5 seconds left sealed the win for CLC.

Dominique Moses had 10 points and Kristen Piasecki and Kristin Poglayen each added nine for CLC.

The next day CLC was blown out of the gym, losing 88-22 to Malcolm X in the championship game.

"We've lacked consistency all season," CLC assistant coach Roger Peterson said.

On Saturday, the Lady Lancers ran into Kankakee, the No. 1 ranked team in NJCAA Div. II. CLC played Kankakee even in the first half, trailing just 34-31 at halftime.

Unfortunately, CLC was outscored 45-18

in the second half, losing 79-49.

"Kankakee is one of the best teams we'll play," Peterson said. "They just came out with a different purpose in the second half."

Brown had 17 points and nine rebounds and Moses chipped in with 11 points in the losing effort.

The Lady Lancers were then able to bounce back with a 59-55 win over Prairie State on Tuesday.

CLC trailed 16-6 in the early minutes but rallied back to pull to within 27-25 at the half.

The Lady Lancers then used pressure defense to force several turnovers in the second half, and a pair of three-pointers from Piasecki (12 points) down the stretch sealed the win for CLC.

Brown led CLC once again with 22 points and 13 rebounds.

"We played with a sense of urgency against Prairie State," Peterson said. "That was as well as we've played all year."

The win improved CLC's record to 6-10 overall and gave the Lady Lancers their first win in the Skyway Conference.

CLC will go for win number two when it hosts Oakton on Jan. 8 at 5:15 p.m.



CLC's Kristin Piasecki goes up for a shot her team's 79-49 loss to Kankakee. The Lady Lancers will host Oakton on Jan. 8.—Photo by Lynn Gunnarson Dahlstrom

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knew what it was right away.

Back on the court, Mulvaney hoped with the Rams better play on defense of late that bode well for the comeback from a 30-14 deficit.

"Our defense the last four or five games has been phenomenal. We have held teams in the 30s, and we knew that their weakness was their guards," Mulvaney said.

Forshee was the other example of determination this non-conference clash. He was always out there hustling, being the point player on the Rams trap with Mulvaney. "That is why he never comes out of the game," Bowen said.

Molloy said the experience on a

Saturday night game, the first one back from a week of just practicing, was a good one.

"It was a good chance for us to work against a trap. We have not seen that. I was very impressed with Grayslake. Jack and Sean (Murnane) did a great job with our rebounding," Molloy said.

Bowen liked some aspects of his team's overall effort.

"We did not shoot very well, but we played very hard. Outside of that, there was good defense, good effort, it does not win the game. We got that turnover at the end of the game, but we threw it out of bounds. There were several loose balls that we just could not get our hands on," Bowen said.

Dolan's basket with 5:36 left gave the Corsairs (2-11) a 35-22 lead. The Rams would erase all but the final two points of that lead, starting with a hoop from Doug

Hanson (5 points). The Rams had a chance to tie with 2.9 seconds left, but a defensive rebound ended the comeback bid.

Junior forward Brian Centella had a nice game for the Rams with seven points.

Dolan and the Corsairs are looking forward to the second half of the season. League play in the ESCC resumes when the Corsairs host St. Patrick Jan. 9.

"It is like getting done with the first half and we are starting the second half 0-0," Dolan said.

Carmel led 6-5 after one as both teams found it hard to get on track. CHS led 17-12 at halftime.

Grayslake was coming off three losses in the Bloomington-Normal Christmas tournament. Hanson did score 16 points in a 55-34 Rams loss to Normal.

"We have 12 games back, and we will just take it from there," Bowen said. Carmel will host St. Patrick on Jan. 9 at 7:30 p.m., while Grayslake will host Libertyville on Jan. 10 at 6 p.m.

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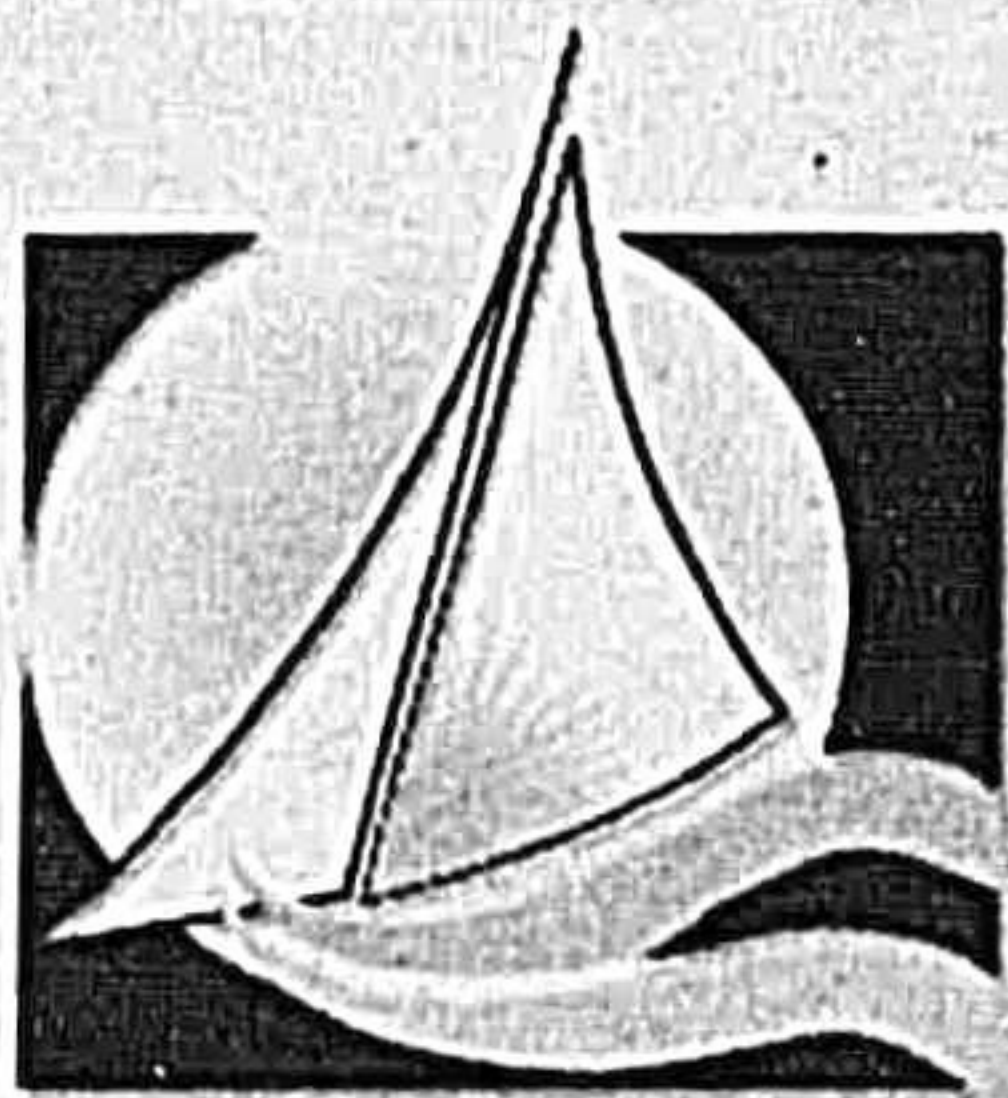
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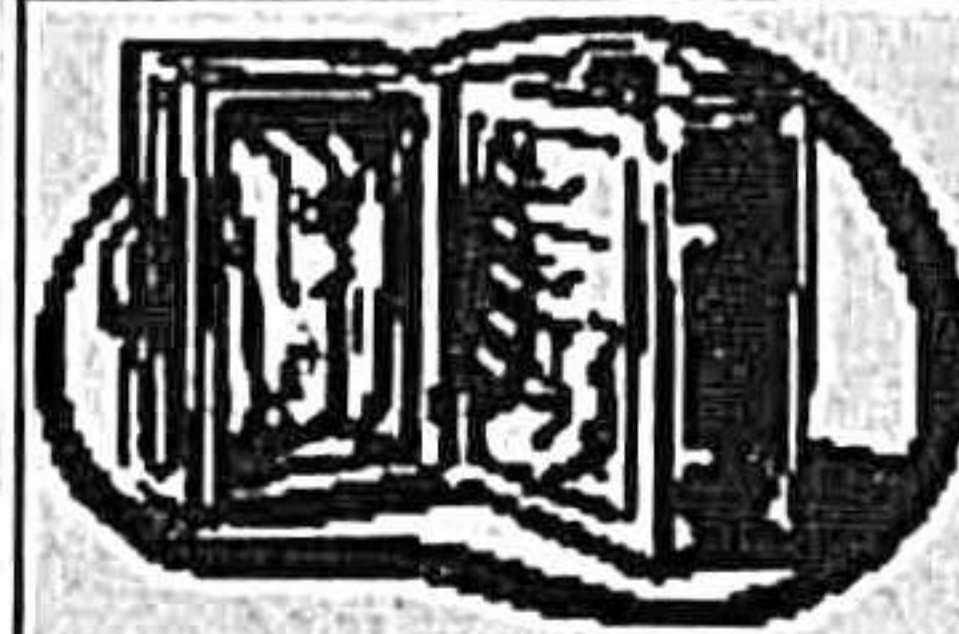
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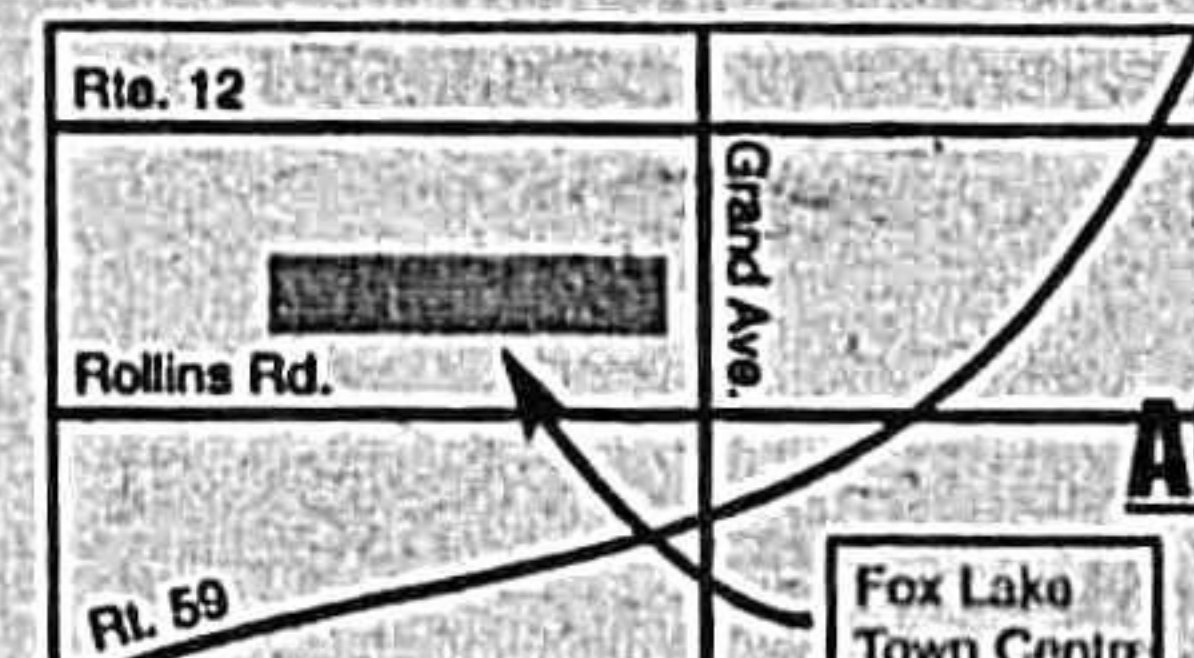
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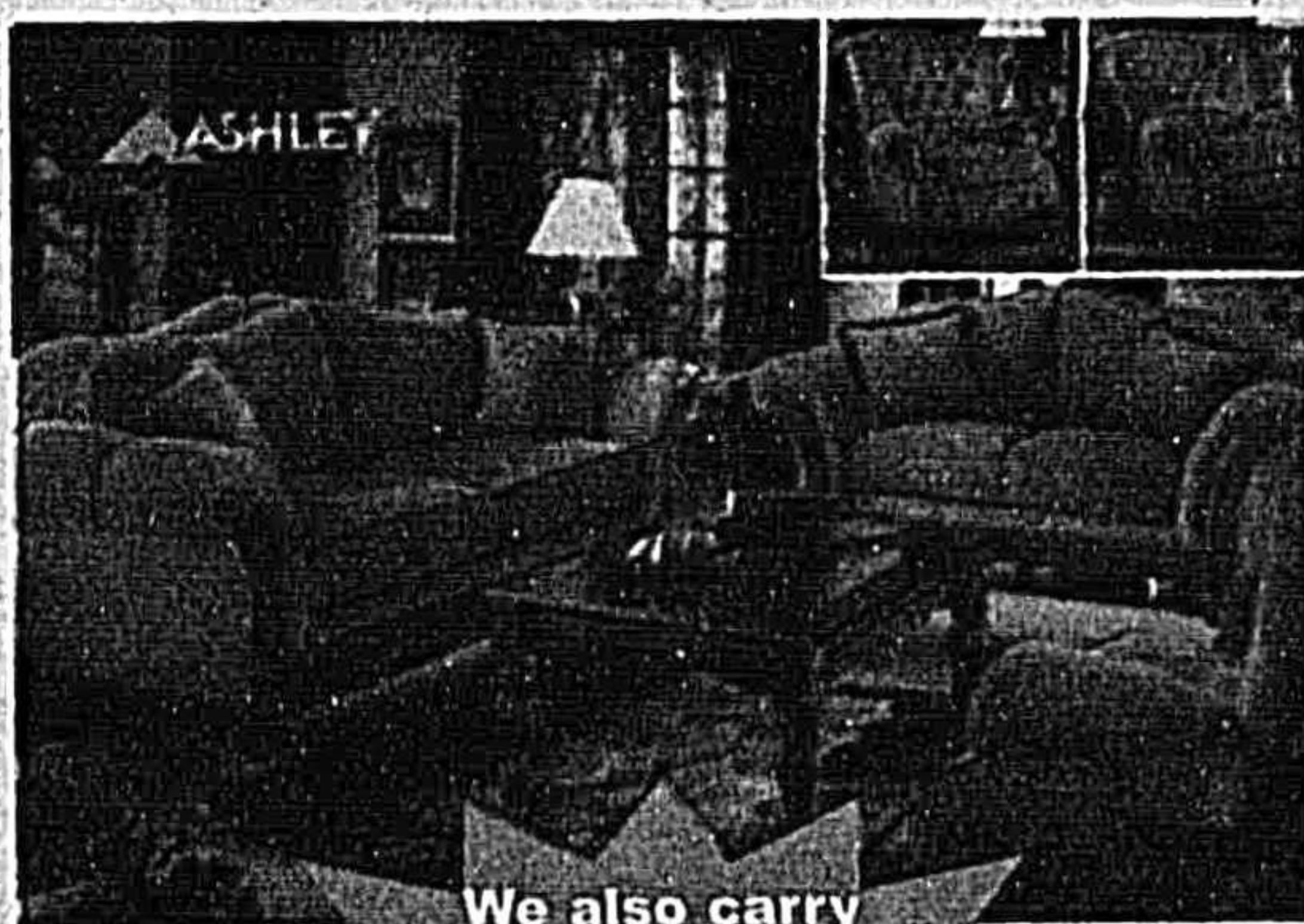
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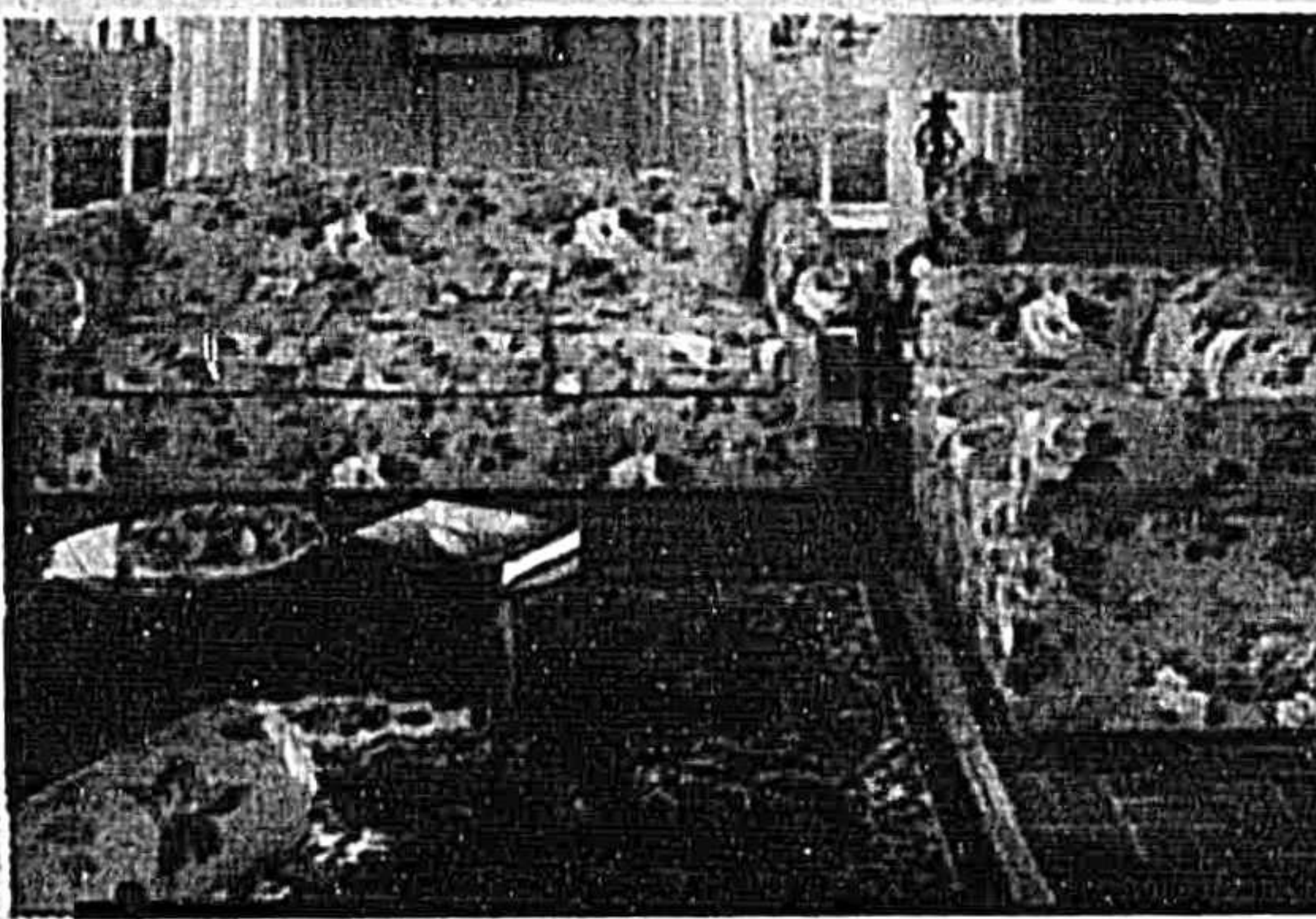
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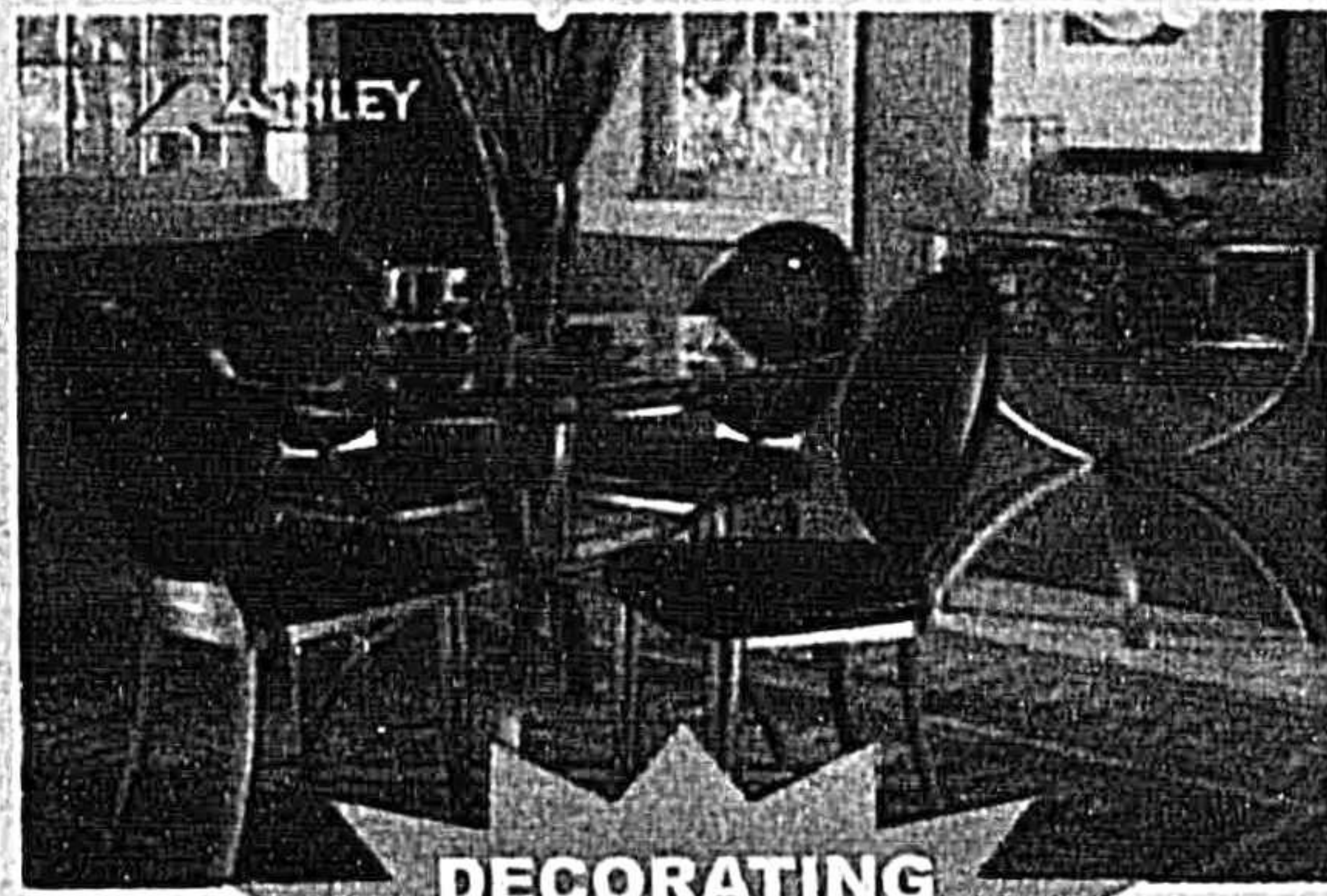
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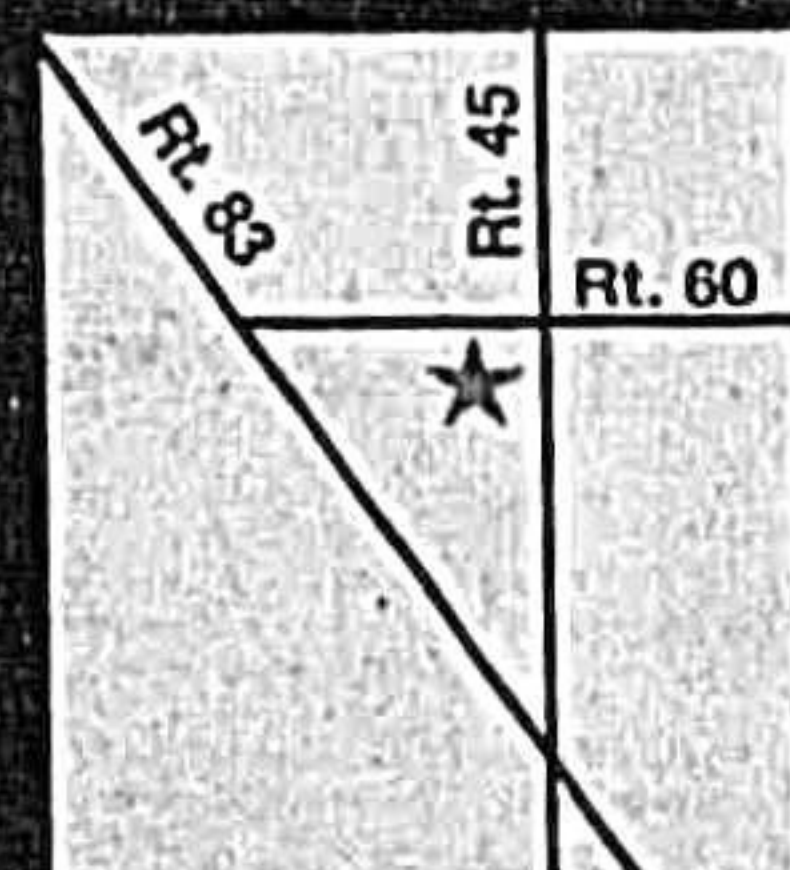
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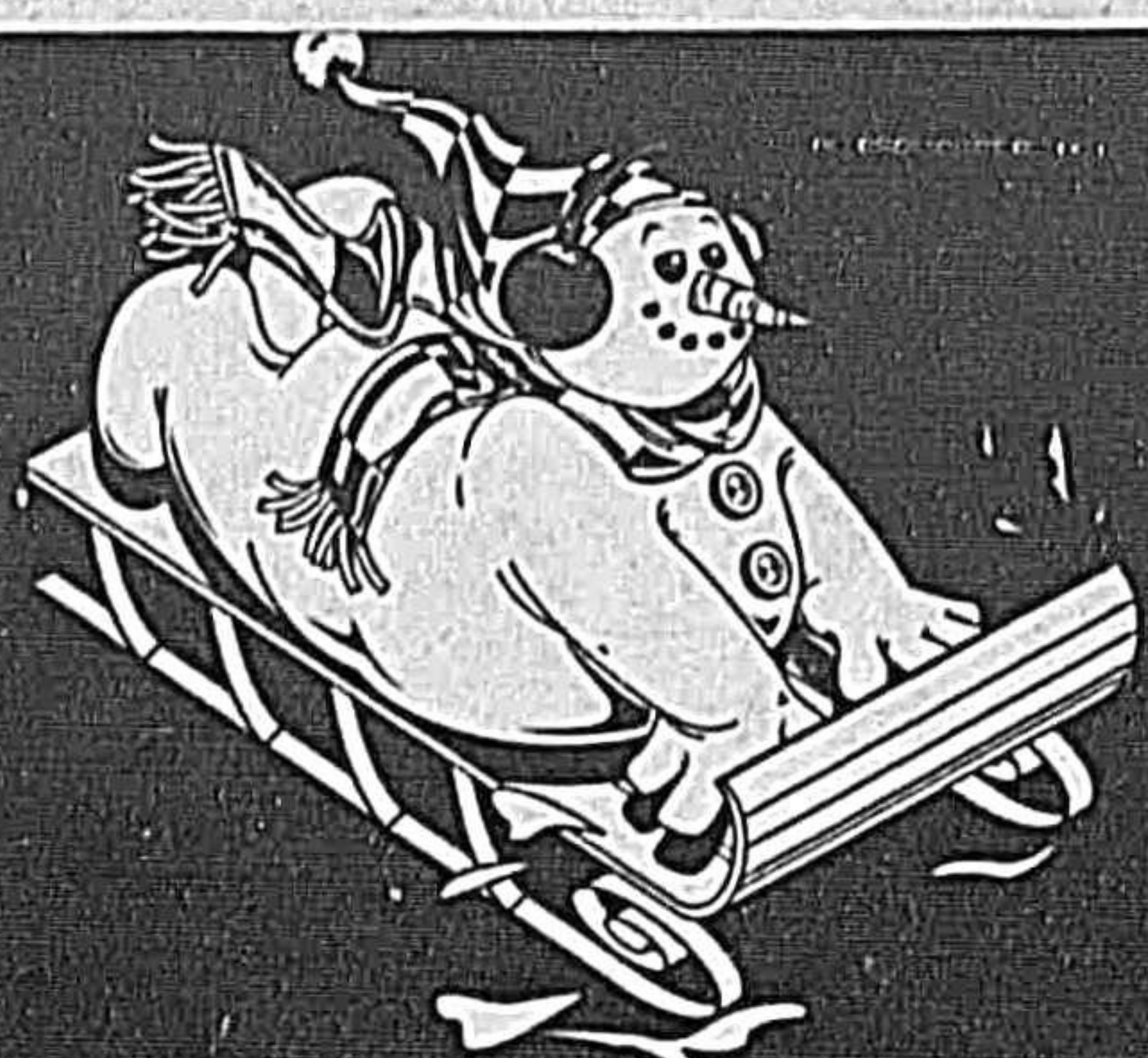
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Chris S. Guilliani

Age 39 of Richmond, formerly of Iron River, Mich. passed away at his home on Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003. Born June 25, 1964 in Stambaugh, Mich. The son of Geno F. Guilliani and Betty (Laine) Guilliani-Nordstrom. He attended the Stambaugh Schools. Chris moved to Illinois at the age of 19 and worked for his stepfather, Lauren Nordstrom, for many years before going into business for himself doing tree maintenance, operating the Guilliani Tree Service in Wauconda. He was an avid fisherman, hunter and enjoyed spending time at the cabin on Tamarack Lake where he was the first one in his group to get his buck every year. He loved the outdoors.

He is preceded in death by his father, Geno Guilliani on Jan. 18, 2002, his stepfather, Lauren Nordstrom on Sept. 28, 2002 and an infant brother, Gene Allen Guilliani in 1950.

Survived by his mother, Betty Nordstrom of Richmond; a special friend, Erma Ashford of McHenry; a daughter, Arianna Guilliani of LaCrosse, Wis.; three brothers, Brian (Joan) Guilliani of Grove City, Penn., Rick (Mary) Guilliani of Rockford and Cory (Shelly) Guilliani of McHenry; four sisters, Gail (George) Lennan of Portage, Mich., Barbara (Randy) Loberger of Green Bay, Wis., Gina Guilliani of Iron River, Mich. and Hilliary Guilliani of Grand Rapids, Mich.; four stepbrothers, Mark of Naples, Fla., John (Robin) Nordstrom of Las Vegas, Nev., Brian Nordstrom of Las Vegas, Nev. and Lauren Nordstrom Jr. of Las Vegas, Nev.; aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation was on Jan. 4 from 5-7 p.m. at the Jacobs Funeral Home in Iron River, Mich. A Liturgical Prayer Service was conducted at 5:30 p.m. Funeral Service was held on Jan. 5, at 11 a.m. at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Caspian, Mich. with the Rev. Norman Clisch, Pastor, offering the Mass of Christian Burial. Interment was at Stambaugh Cemetery in Iron River, Mich. Pall bearers were Brian, Ricky and Cory Guilliani, Mark and Jeff Swanson, Brian Nichols, Bob Scoglund and Michael Smith. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Jacobs Funeral Home in Iron River, Mich.

James V. Ketelsen

Age 49 of Grayslake, formerly of Racine, Wis., passed away Wednesday, Dec., 31, 2003 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. He was born in Rhode Island on April 12, 1954, son of James and Joan (nee Velde) Ketelsen. Jim was a graduate of Dartmouth College. On June 11, 1994 at the First Presbyterian Church, he was united in marriage to Catherine Gittings. Jim was self employed as an investor relations consultant. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and the National Investor Relations Institute. James was a loving husband, son, brother, uncle and a dear friend to many and he will be dearly missed.

Surviving are his loving wife Catherine of Grayslake; his father and stepmother, James and Kathryn Ketelsen of Houston, Tex.; sister, Lee Ketelsen of Acton, Mass.; father-in-law and mother-in-law, William and

Theo Gittings of Racine, Wis.; sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends. Jim is preceded in death by his mother, Joan Ketelsen.

Funeral services were held Jan. 4 at 3 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Racine, Wis. Private interment was held. Relatives and friends met with the family at the church for visitation on Jan. 4 from 1:30 p.m. until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the American Heart Assn. or to the charity of your choice have been suggested by the family. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Maresh-Meredith & Acklam Funeral Home in Racine Wis.

Judi Hayden

Age 42. Judi loved being a sculptor. Her mind was always full of ideas for her next creations. Judi, daughter of Patricia Nemmers Hayden and William F. Hayden, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003 after a long and courageous battle against cancer. Judi was a graduate of Antioch High School and of Colorado State University where she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics and Business. She was for many years comptroller for Hayden Tree Farm in Antioch. During those years, she pursued her love of art as well, and earned a Master of Fine Arts degree from Northern Illinois University. Judi's many talents and her wonderful sense of humor were well recognized, and she received several awards for the artistic merit of her sculptures. Her innovative use of unusual materials was especially notable. Judi was an ardent environmentalist, and loved trees, flowers and all of nature. She participated in many efforts to preserve our wonderful earth.

Judi is preceded in death by her brother, Lee in 1971, by her father, Bill in 1987, by her dearly beloved Jazz in 2002 and Smokey in 2003.

Survivors include her sister and brother-in-law, Cindy and Steve Fraase of Norcross, Ga.; her mother, Pat of Antioch, and by many aunts, uncles and cousins. Her cousin Pat Cravens of Morris was a special source of comfort and strength during Judi's illness. Judi is also survived by many treasured friends, especially Verna Holland of DeKalb and Bob Beckemeyer of McHenry. Their constant love and support helped enormously to sustain Judi throughout her ordeal.

Visitation was from 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Jan. 3 followed immediately by commemorative services at 2 p.m. in the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Burial was in Hickory Union Cemetery in Newport Township, next to her brother and her father.

Mike Shea

Age 58 of Antioch, passed away Thursday, Jan. 1, 2004 at Midwestern Regional Hospital in Zion. He was born July 14, 1945 in Waukegan, the son of the late George and Eleanor (Robinson) Shea. Mike served in the U.S. Army, then worked as a Lake County Sheriff's Deputy, graduated from Roosevelt University where he earned his Bachelor of Science degree

in Law Enforcement and then started his own business, Shea's Iron Works in Lake Villa. His interests include fishing, hunting, snowmobiling and motorcycling. On July 30, 1966 he married Judy Praninsky in Indianapolis, Ind.

Survivors include his wife, Judy; two sons, Ryan and Michael both of Antioch and four sisters, Ann Marie Rupsa of Arveda, Colo., Patricia Palmieri and Kathleen Shea both of Antioch and Delores Shea of Springfield, Ore.

Funeral service was held at 10 a.m., Jan. 6 at Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was in Hickory Union Cemetery in Newport Township. Visitation was held at the funeral home from 4-8 p.m., Jan. 5. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Diabetes Association in his memory.

Joseph R. Weiss

Age 35 of Antioch, passed away Friday, Jan. 2, 2004 at Victory Memorial Hospital in Waukegan. Joe served in the U.S. Army. On May 27, 2000 he married Linda Kucharski in Waukegan.

Survivors include his wife, Linda; three children, Aubrey, Ryan and Amanda; his mother, Janet Weiss of Mountain Home, Idaho; his maternal grandmother; his brothers and sisters; his uncle; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was held at 10 a.m., Jan. 7 at Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery in Antioch. Visitation was held from 4-8 p.m., Jan. 6 at the funeral home.

Susan L. Koziol (nee Leker)

Age 42 of Lake Villa passed away Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004 at University of Illinois Medical Center in Chicago. She was born the daughter of William and Patsy (nee Hornback) of Lake Villa. She received a 10 year award as a valued employee at the Baxter Health Care—Round Lake division.

In addition to her parents, Susan is survived by her children, Andrew and Kaitlyn Stern of Lake Villa; her brother; her nieces and nephew; and many uncles, aunts and friends. She is preceded in death by her maternal grandparents and her paternal grandparents.

Her life was celebrated at 8 p.m., Jan. 7 at the Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium, Ltd. in Grayslake. Interment was private. Visitation was from 4-8 p.m. at the funeral chapel prior to services. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Susan's children, c/o Strang Funeral Chapel.

John T. Cunningham

Age 81 of Wauconda, died Jan. 2, at his home in Wauconda. He served in the U.S. Navy.

He was the loving husband of the late, Hilda; cherished father of Gilda (Glen) Perkins and Jacqueline (Robert) Leary; fond brother of Carl H. Cunningham of Antlers, Okla. and grandfather of two.

Funeral service was held at 10 a.m., Jan. 5 at the Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home in

Wauconda. Visitation was from 4-8 p.m., Jan. 4 at the funeral home. Interment was at the Wauconda Cemetery in Wauconda. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Highland Area Office, 777 Central Ave., Highland Park, IL 60035-3240.

Jacqueline A. Carbone

Age 73 of McHenry, formerly of Wauconda, died Jan. 2, 2004 at Alden Terrace of McHenry. She graduated from Wauconda High School and was employed at T.J. Maxx in Crystal Lake for 10 years.

Loving wife of Frank for 52 years; cherished mother of Paula Carbone; fond sister of Harold (Marge) Bass and Phillip and niece, Lynn (Gene) White. She is preceded in death by her sister, Jean Jarrett.

Funeral service was held at 6 p.m., Jan. 6 at the Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home in Wauconda. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Highland Area Office, 777 Central Ave., Highland Park, IL 60035-3240.

Mark (Rudderham) Painter

Age 37, died Dec. 25, 2003 suddenly. Born the son of Philip and Joanne Painter. On March 27, 1999, he married Linda Potter in Ocho Rio, Jamaica.

Surviving are his wife, Linda; two stepchildren, Phillip Cline of Racine, Wis. and Angela Cline of St. Cloud, Fla.; his mother, Joanne Schmidt of Dixon; his sister; a niece; his nephews; his aunt and his cousin. He is preceded in death by his grandparents and special friend, Nipper.

Memorial service will be held Jan. 24 at St. Mary of the Woods Church in Chicago. Cremation rites have been accorded with arrangements by McDonald Funeral Home and Crematory in Rock Falls.

Raymond S. Toscano

Age 40 of Round Lake, died suddenly, Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville.

Survivors include his wife, Erin (nee Berry); three sons, Anthony, Jonathan and Joshua; a daughter, Catherine, all at home.

Funeral service was held Thursday, Jan. 8 at 10 a.m., at The Symonds-Lakes Funeral Home, 111 W. Belvidere Rd., Grayslake. Interment followed at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Friends called Jan. 7 from 4-9 p.m. at the funeral home.

Ernest Siems

Age 87 of Round Lake Beach, passed away Jan. 2, 2004 at Lake Forest Hospital. Ernest was born to the late Frederick and Louise (nee Schuette) Siems.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Yvonne (nee Heller), whom he wed on June 7, 1914 in Chicago; his sons, Robert (Chris) Siems of Rio Rancho, N.M., William (Nanette) Siems of Windsor, Wis., Kenneth (Sheila) Siems of Paddock Lake, Wis. and Keith (Paula) Siems of

Round Lake; eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Ernest is preceded in death by his brother.

Friends of the family joined for the visitation on Jan. 4 from 2-6 p.m. at the Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake. A chapel service was held on at 11 a.m., Jan. 5, at the funeral chapel. Interment was held at Windridge Cemetery in Cary. Memorial donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the American Heart Association, Dept. 77-3968, Chicago, IL 60678-3968.

Donna Teresa Wawrzyniak

Age 44 of Highwood, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2003 at the Lake Forest Hospital after a long battle with cancer. She was a Spanish teacher at Carmel High School in Mundelein.

Survivors include her husband, Brian; sons, David, Robert and Eric; mother, Rosita Vignaroli, all of Highwood; sister, and a brother.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Dec. 31 at Saint James Church in Highwood with Rev. James O'Malley, Rev. Robert Carroll and Rev. Terrano McCarthy serving as celebrants. Interment was at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Friends called Dec. 30 at the Seguin and Symonds Funeral Home in Highwood.

Donald A. Rogers

Age 68 of Round Lake, died Dec. 25, 2003 at Good Shepherd Hospital in Barrington.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Rogers; a son, Rickey A. (Debbie) Rogers of Forest Lake; a daughter, Robin Anderson of Round Lake; two grandchildren and a sister.

Funeral Service was held at 2 p.m., Jan. 2 at the Seguin & Symonds Funeral Home in Highwood. Interment with military honors was held at Fort Sheridan Cemetery.

Phyllis Krantz (nee Wiswell)

Age 74, a resident of Lake Villa, died Tuesday, Dec. 30 in Libertyville. She and her late husband were former owners of Krantz's Tavern and Grocery in Antioch for over 10 years. She was born to Phillip and Nellie Rose (nee Basthemer) Wiswell.

She is survived by her daughters, Caroline Heuer of Spring Grove, Candy (Charles) Steinbauer of Round Lake Beach, Cathy (Dave) St. John of Lake Villa and Connie Roeder of Mundelein; grandchildren; great grandchildren; brothers, sisters and other relatives. She is preceded in death by her husband, Ronald James Krantz on May 17, 2002.

Friends of the family called from 3-8 p.m. Jan. 4 at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home in Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake) The family invited all to go directly to St. Bede Church in Ingleside, Jan. 5 to attend the 10 a.m. Funeral Mass. Interment was private.

Paul Zakis

Age 57 of Antioch, passed away

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Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003 at St. Therese Medical Center in Waukegan.

Survivors include his son, Jonah; his sister, Jacki (Ted) Bolton of Antioch; his nephews, Jake and Shane and his longtime family friend, Ed "Dude" Herrick of La Crosse, Wis. He is preceded in death by his father, Paul and his mother "Bea Zee" Zakis.

Funeral Service was held at 7 p.m., Jan. 2 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was private. Visitation was held at the funeral home from 4-8 p.m., Jan. 2. Those desiring may make donations to Pinnacle Health Care, 2222 14th St., Waukegan, IL in his memory.

Eleanor A. Schmidt

Age 88 of Round Lake passed away Monday, Dec. 29, 2003 at her home. She was born in Chicago on Aug. 21, 1915 to Phillip and Johanna (nee Lams) Wirth. She is preceded in death by her husband, Alfred Schmidt and her sister, Elizabeth Wirth.

Services and interment were private. Arrangements were made by Querhammer and Plagg Funeral Home in Crystal Lake.

Mark A. Mobley

Age 43 of Beach Park, passed away suddenly Dec. 22, 2003 in Waukegan. Mark was a 20 year retired Naval Aviation refueler serving on the USS Kitty Hawk (CV-63), USS Enterprise (CVN-65), and USS Independence (CV-62).

Mark is survived by his wife of 17 years, Beverly; two daughters, Toni and Regina Mobley of Beach Park; mother, Judith Meyring of Vacaville, Calif; sister; brother; and many other relatives and friends.

Memorial Service was held on Dec. 27 from 2 p.m., until the time of service at 3 p.m. at the Symonds Lakes Funeral Home and Crematory in Grayslake. Interment was private.

Evelyn Baker

Age 90 of Wauconda and Streamwood, passed away Dec. 27, 2003 at the Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry.

She is survived by her sons, George Jr. (Helen) Baker of San Antonio, Tex., Ronald (Peggy) Baker of Barrington; grandmother of six; great-grandmother of six; and one sister. Preceded in death by her husband, George Sr., and son, Robert Baker.

Friends called from 4-8 p.m., Dec. 29 at the Symonds Lakes Funeral Home and Crematory in Grayslake. Interment was at Union Ridge Cemetery.

William M. Weinzetl

Age 78 of Lake Villa, passed away Dec. 22, 2003 at his home surrounded by his family. William was a WWII veteran.

He is survived by his five children, Joyce (John) Salvador of Chicago, Joann (Harley) Van De Stowe of Sioux Falls, SD, Carolyn (Gregory) Pfister of Chicago, Barbara (David) Clary of Lake Villa, and Mary Lou (Alex) Cruz of Burlington, Wis.; 20 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren.

Memorial Service will be held Saturday, Jan. 10 from noon until the time of service at 1 p.m. at the Calvary Presbyterian Church, 510 Cedar Lake Rd., Round Lake, with Rev. Lisle J. Kauffman officiating. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Symonds Lakes Funeral Home and Crematory, in Grayslake.

Mabel Emma Hoffmeyer

Age 89 of Bristol, Wis., passed away Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003 at her home. She was born the daughter of the late William and Maria (Haustreich) Hoffmeyer.

Survivors include three daughters, Ethel (Darwin) Hallenbeck of Jacksonville, Fla., Velma Bobrick of Wildwood and Linda (Larry) Fox of Twin Lakes, Wis.; 10 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren and two cousins. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by one sister.

Funeral Service was held at 11 a.m., Jan. 2 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was in Highland Memorial Park in Libertyville. Visitation was held at the funeral home from 1-5 p.m., Jan. 1.

Raymond Kamradt

Age 62 of Henderson, Nev. passed away unexpectedly at St. Therese Medical Center in Waukegan on Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003. He was born the son of the late Raymond J. and Gladys Kamradt. He was a veteran, serving in the U.S. Navy. On Nov. 23, 1963, he married h is wife, Arlene.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Arlene; his daughters, Kimberly (Christopher) Cannon of Washington and Dawn (John) Simons of Wisconsin; and his grandchildren.

A gathering of family and friends was held from 6-7:30 p.m., Jan. 2 at the Ringa Funeral Home in Lake Villa. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers, memorials would be appreciated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 6931 Arlington Rd., Bethesda, MD 20014.

Merry Kainz

Age 68 of Round Lake, passed away on

Monday, Dec. 29, 2003 at Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry. She was born to the late Peter Bisgaard and Bernice (nee Berthume) Edgar.

Merry is survived by her loving husband of 22 years, Bernard Kainz of Round Lake; her daughters, Linda (George) Goodman of Round Lake Park and Laura Rasmussen of Paddock Lake, Wis.; her sisters; her brother; her grandchildren; five stepchildren; 10 step-grandchildren; her longtime friend, Tina Lefkowitz of Aurora and many other relatives and friends. Merry is preceded in death by her aforementioned parents; her brother-in-law, Layton Plyman and a son, Gerald Weirich. All services were held privately. Arrangements were handled by the Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake.

Douglas W. Heater

Age 41 of Grand Canyon, Ariz., died Saturday, Jan. 3, 2004 at his home. He was born July 30, 1962 to Thomas and Diane (Walusiak) Heater in Evanston. Formerly of Carpentersville, he and his family moved to Round Lake Park in 1968. He was educated in Round Lake School District 116. During his high school years he was very active as a musician. After graduating from high school, he and several other musicians formed a band, Tres Hombres, and they toured the nation for 10 years. In 1990, the band went their separate ways, and Douglas went into the heating ventilation and air conditioning profession.

He worked in the Round Lake area for many years, until moving to Tennessee in early 2001, and relocating to Grand Canyon, Ariz. in the most recent five months. He was an avid slot car enthusiast. He was also involved in youth baseball with his brother, Dennis in the Round Lake area. With their mother as coach, the boys and their team, the Pirates, went on to victory, winning the local World Series.

Those left to honor his memory include two sisters, Donna (Randall) Wagner of Round Lake Park, and Dorothy (Kurt) Batz of Mundelein; three brothers, Daniel (Debbie) Heater of Joliet, Dennis (Isabelle) Heater of Round Lake Park, and David (Nicki) Heater of Grand Canyon, Ariz.; many nieces and nephews; and a very special friend, Dora Rooney, of Grand Canyon, Ariz. He is preceded in death by his brother, Darrin Heater in 1966; and his parents, Thomas in 1993, and Diane in 2002.

Visitation is currently pending at Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home, 222 N. Rosedale Ct., Round Lake. The Funeral Service has been scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 10, with visitation from 9:30 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral service, at the funeral home. Rev. Lisle Kauffman will officiate. Interment will be at Avon Centre Cemetery in Grayslake.

Patricia Josephine Crocker

Age 64 of Trevor, Wis. passed away Friday, Jan. 2, 2004 at Aurora Medical Center in Kenosha, Wis. She was born the daughter of the late Raymond A. and Wanda F. Smith.

Survivors include her beloved husband of 28 years, Richard S. Crocker; her three children, David (Wendy) Erickson of Algonquin, Michelle Erickson of Naperville and Veronica Erickson of Mazatlan, Mexico; three grandchildren; her sister and two brothers. She is preceded in death by her beloved dog, Coco.

A memorial celebration will be held from noon-4 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 10 at the family home at 22905 120th St., Trevor, Wis. Those desiring may make contributions to the American Cancer Society in her memory. Strang Funeral Home of Antioch handled the arrangements.

Thomas 'Tom' Willett

Age 41, of Wauconda, passed away Thursday, Jan. 1, 2004. Tom was born on May 29, 1962. Tom lived in Wauconda all of his life and went to Transfiguration Catholic School and Wauconda High School.

He is survived by his parents, Thomas "Ross" Willett and Dixie Willett of Wauconda; brother, Rick Willett; sister, Deb Arthurs; nephew Marcus Arthurs of Wauconda and many other relatives and friends.

The funeral and interment were private. As services were not held in his community, the family requests nothing more than a prayer on Tom's behalf.

George Kidd

Age 82, formerly of Chicago, passed away suddenly on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004 in Newton, Miss., after a brief illness.

He is survived by two sons, Walter of Zion, Ill. and Joseph of Newton, Miss.; and one daughter, Shirley Ann of Chicago. He was preceded in death by his loving wife Bennie Mae.

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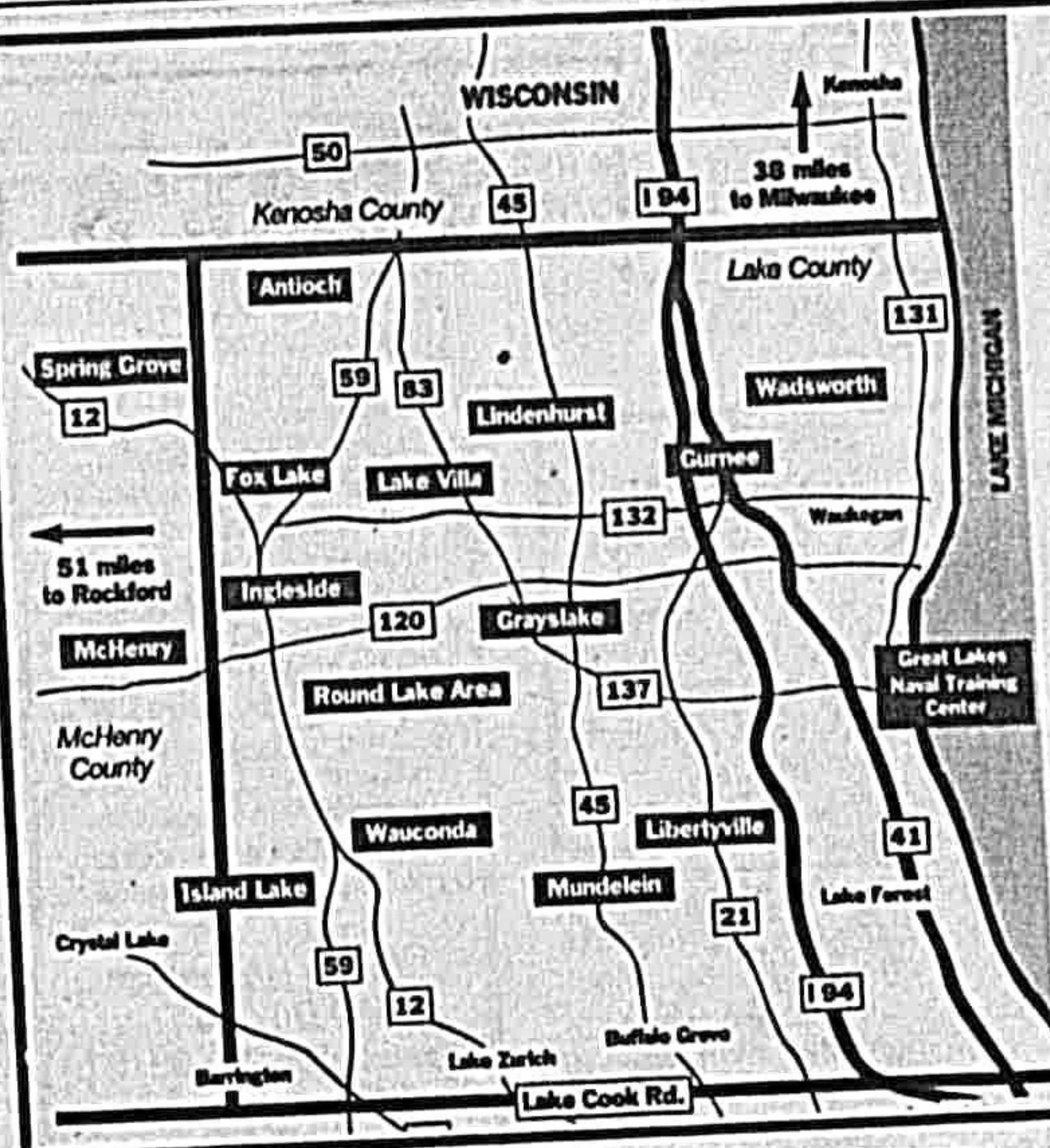
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By Scott T. Fleischmann

Recently, I was asked to help a friend with his job search. I discovered
 that he was effectively using most of the traditional avenues to search for
 opportunities, but he had not looked down some of the more obscure
 routes. Some of the more obscure venues do not produce as many leads,
 but it only takes one of these leads to accomplish the goal of a new job.
 It is true that some of these approaches are more difficult, but for those
 who are serious about getting a new job, that extra effort is justified by
 the result. Here are some of the job search roads less traveled.

Government Employment Services - Most of these agencies are run by
 state level government. However, some of the larger cities provide the
 same services. I know of some employers who have built relationships
 with these agencies and prefer to use them because that is where they
 have found the best employees. In addition to keeping a list of various
 open jobs, they often provide job counseling and skills testing. These
 services are great for those who are not sure about career direction and
 for those who need help writing a resume, identifying references, develop-
 ing interviewing skills, etc.

College Placement Offices - Every college has a placement office. The
 reputation of these schools is affected by the jobs of their graduates.
 Subsequently, if they can help graduates and alumni get better jobs, they
 are more likely to get more applicants to their school. Each time a col-
 lege graduate is searching for a job, he or she should make contact with
 the placement office of college from which they graduated. Those who
 are not college graduates may want to contact a local junior college or
 technical school. As a community service, some of them help citizens
 find jobs.

Associations - There are trade and professional organizations for almost
 every occupation. Although their primary purpose is to promote that
 career and to provide education in that field, they are a great place to
 discover job opportunities. Some of these organizations have job listings
 for members who are seeking other employment.

Job Hotlines - Most large employers in the private and public sectors
 have job hotlines. Usually, these toll free numbers identify job openings.
 In addition, they often give specific directions on how to apply for these
 jobs. I have found that some of these jobs are not identified on the com-
 pany web sites. Therefore, it is an additional resource.

Personal Networks - Every candidate has many relationships. Often
 these relatives, friends, and associates know about job opportunities.
 Those who are actively seeking employment need to share that endeavor
 with as many people as possible. Those who belong to a church, civic
 organization, or sports team should not overlook those resources.

Every job seeker that I have met uses the traditional approaches to job
 searches. In fact, the primary approach for most is to go to the Internet,
 newspapers and employment agencies. All of these methods produce
 good job leads. However, every craftsman knows that he or she must use
 every tool possible to build the end product. Likewise, every candidate
 needs to use every tool to find that next great job.

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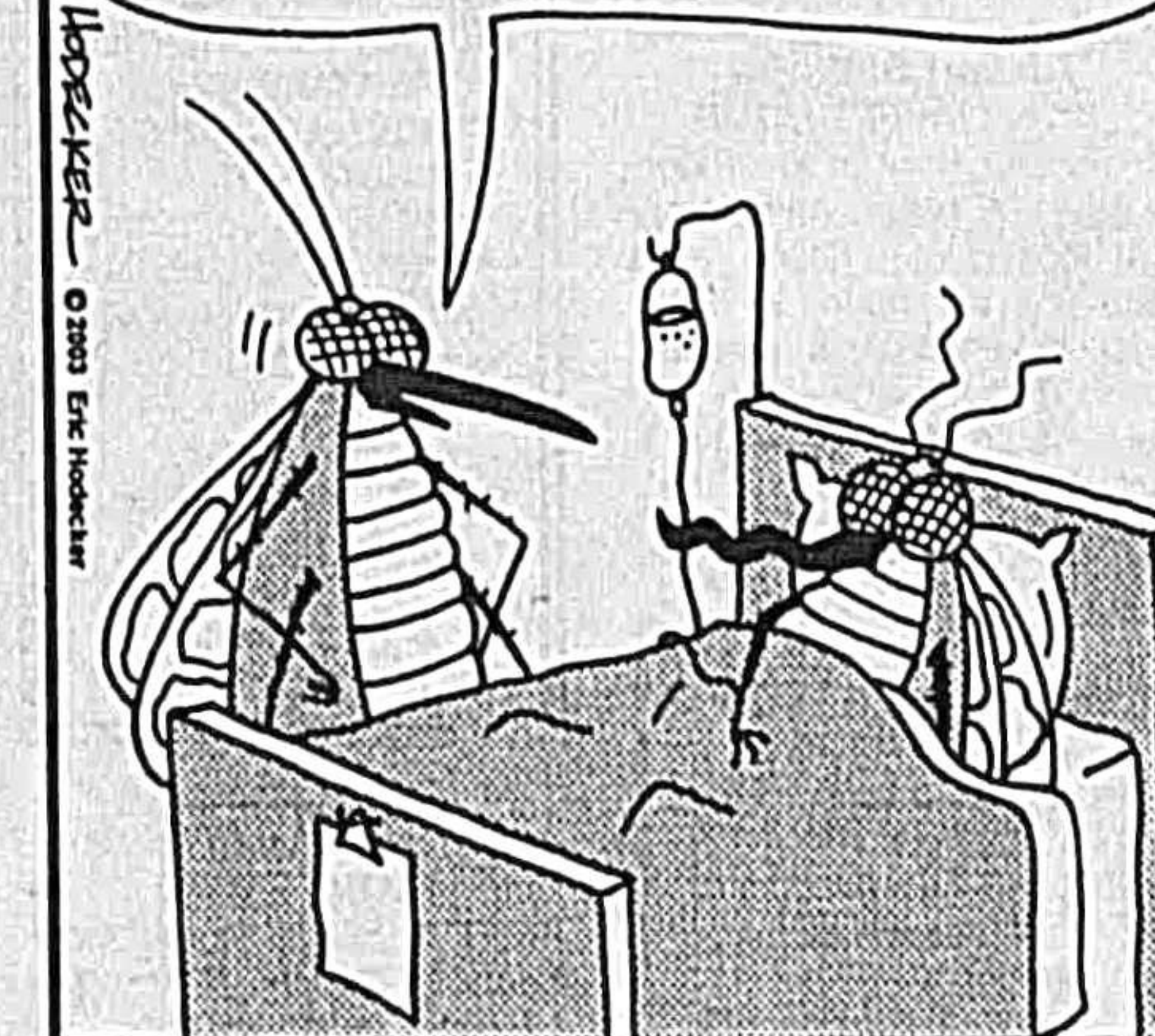
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Barry S. Frazin, Beth A. Frazin, 1955 Sheridan Road, Buffalo Grove, ILL. 60089, (847)883-8785.

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COUNTY OF LAKE)
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Official Seal
/s/ Barry S. Frazin
/s/ Beth A. Frazin
December 12, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 12th day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ George Biney
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 16, 2003
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
1226D-6303-LB
December 26, 2003
January 2, 9, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Krystal's Kleaning Service
NATURE/PURPOSE:
House Cleaning Business
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
525 E. Burnett Rd., #2, Island Lake, ILL. 60042, (847)343-3875.
NAME(S) AND POST
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Krystal Kogut, 525 E. Burnett Rd., #2, Island Lake ILL. 60042, (847)343-3875.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE)
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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice Of Special Meeting Of The Board Of Education Of School District Number 38, Lake County, Illinois

Public Notice Is Hereby Given that the Board of Education of School District Number 38, Lake County, Illinois (the "School Board") will hold a special meeting of the School Board on the 5th day of January, 2004, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. in the Gymnasium of the Big Hollow Elementary School Building, 34699 N. Highway 12, Ingleside, Illinois.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Calendar Waiver
4. Election Resolution for the Issuance of School Building Bonds for an intermediate/elementary school building.
5. Election Resolution for the Issuance of School Building Bonds for a middle school building.
6. Election Resolution for the Issuance of School Building Bonds for and intermediate/elementary and middleschool buildings.
7. Election Resolution for educational fund tax rate increase.
8. Adjournment.

Dated this 30th day of December, 2003

Victoria Gallichio
Secretary, Board of Education
School District Number 38, Lake County, Illinois
0109B-6313-FL
January 9, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

To: Lech J. Czapiaga
2788 Roslyn Lane, Highland Park, IL 60035
Your right to use space(s) 435 at Wauconda Self-Service Storage, 500 Rand Rd., Wauconda, IL 60084 has terminated and you no longer have access to the stored property. DEMAND FOR PAYMENT IS BEING MADE WITHIN 14 DAYS. The stored property is subject to a lien in the amount of \$396.35. This amount will continue to increase in accordance with the terms of your rental agreement until paid or the property is sold. They are itemized as follows: Date: 12/22/03, Rent: \$354.35, Inventory: \$30.00, Late Fee: \$12.00, Due Date: 12/22/03, Balance: \$396.35, TOTAL DUE: \$396.35
THIS SUM MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE 1/26/04 OR THE PROPERTY WILL BE ADVERTISED FOR SALE AND SOLD. Any excess proceeds of the sale over the lien amount and costs of sale will be retained by the owner and may be reclaimed by you, or claimed by another person having a court order or other judicial process against the property, at any time for a period of 2 years from the sale and thereafter the proceeds will revert to Wauconda Self-Service Storage.
General description of Goods: Skis, tongue & groove flooring, clay sculpture, picture & 2 tables. Date and Location of Sale: 1/26/04 at 1:00 p.m. at Wauconda Self-Service Storage, P.O. Box 505, 500 Rand Road, Wauconda, IL 60084.
You may pay this sum and may contact the owner at:
847-526-5055
0109B-6320-WL
January 9, 16, 2004

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ness from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
Official Seal
/s/ Krystal Kogut
December 23, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 23rd day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ Roger W. Verne
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 23, 2003
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0102A-6306-WL
January 2, 9, 16, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Barbara Jean & Co.
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Graphic Design, water color art & crafts to sell retail
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
2209 Witchwood Lane, Lindenhurst, ILL. 60046, (847)356-0963.
NAME(S) AND POST
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CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Barbara J. Beetschen, 2209 Witchwood Lane, Lindenhurst, ILL. 60046, (847)356-0963.
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF LAKE)
This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.
Official Seal
/s/ Barbara J. Beetschen
December 11, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me

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by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 11th day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ Denise B. Hartmann
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 22, 2003
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0102A6308-LV
January 2, 9, 16, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Center for Pain Control, P.C.
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Professional Corporation
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
1800 Hollister Dr., Libertyville, ILL. 60048, (847)549-1609.
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Bruce W. Irwin, 1800 Hollister Dr., Libertyville, ILL. 60048, (847)549-1609.
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COUNTY OF LAKE)
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Official Seal
/s/ Bruce W. Irwin
December 17, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 17th day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ Sheldon M. Lustig
Notary Public
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Estate of Jeffrey Alan Brock, Deceased

NO. 03P1193
CLAIM NOTICE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the death of Jeffrey Alan Brock of Gurnee, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on December 22, 2003, to Sandra J. Nielsen, 33957 N. Glen Drive, Gages Lake, Illinois 60030, as independent administrator whose attorney is Tammy K. Glaeser, 495 N. Riverside Drive, Suite 209, Gurnee, IL 60031.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit court at 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, Illinois 60085, Room C-307, or with representative, or both, on or before July 6, 2004, which date is not less than 6 months from the date of the first publication of this notice and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of any claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it is filed.
Sandra J. Nielsen
Representative
Tammy K. Glaeser
Attorney
Published on January 9, 2004.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 114, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO SELL NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 SCHOOL FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY BONDS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that School District Number 114, Lake County, Illinois (the "District"), will hold a public hearing on the 27th day of January, 2004, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. The hearing will be held in the Library in the Lotus School Building, 29067 W. Grass Lake Road, Spring Grove, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds of the District in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the purpose of conforming its existing facilities that house students to the building code promulgated by the State Board of Education of the State of Illinois, by altering, reconstructing and repairing said facilities and having equipment purchased and installed therein.

By order of the President of the Board of Education of School District Number 114, Lake County, Illinois.
DATED the 16th day of December, 2003.

Susan Murphy
Secretary, Board of Education,
School District Number 114,
Lake County, Illinois
0109B-6718-FL
January 9, 2004

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PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Marty's Enterprises
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Trucking
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
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ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
4501 U.S. Highway 12, Richmond, ILL. 60071, (815) 675-3131.
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Martin B. Vogelsberg, 32 N. Route 12, Fox Lake, ILL. 60020, (847)973-1434.
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Official Seal
/s/ Martin B. Vogelsberg
December 29, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 29th day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ Eleanor A. Petruska
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 29, 2003
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0109B-6314-FL
January 9, 16, 23, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Burton International
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Merchandise Brokerage
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
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ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
14367 Greenfield Ct., Libertyville, ILL. 60048.
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CONDUCTING OR
TRANSACTIONING BUSINESS
Wanping Qing, 14367 Greenfield Ct., Libertyville, ILL.

Official Seal
/s/ Eleanor A. Petruska
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 30, 2003
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE GURNEE PARK DISTRICT, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO SELL \$470,000 LIMITED PARK BONDS
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Gurnee Park District, Lake County, Illinois (the "District"), will hold a public hearing on the 20th day of January, 2004, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. The hearing will be held in the Viking Community Center, 4374 Old Grand Avenue, Gurnee, Illinois. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public comments on the proposal to sell bonds of the District in the amount of \$470,000 for the payment of land condemned or purchased for parks, for the building, maintaining, improving and protecting of the same and the existing land and facilities of the District and for the payment of the expenses incident thereto.
By order of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Gurnee Park District, Lake County, Illinois.
DATED this 22nd day of December, 2003
Donna Kolar
Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners,
Gurnee, Park District, Lake County, Illinois
0109B-6317-GP
January 9, 2004

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

REGARDING REPAIR OF SCHOOL GROUNDS IN FOX LAKE GRADE SCHOOL DISTRICT #114, SPRING GROVE, ILLINOIS.

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Education of Fox Lake Grade School District 114, Lake County, Illinois, that a Public Hearing will take place on Tuesday, January 27, 2004 at 6:45 PM in the Lotus School Library located at 29067 W. Grass Lake Road, Spring Grove, Illinois, 60081.

The purpose of this Hearing is for the Board of Education to determine the need to undertake repairs to the pavement of playgrounds, school bus turnarounds, student drop-off areas, sidewalks and parking areas at: Stanton School, 101 Hawthorne Lane, Fox Lake, Illinois, and to receive any public comment regarding such repairs.

Michael Lescher, President
Susan Murphy, Secretary
Fox Lake Grade School District 114
Board of Education
Spring Grove, Illinois, 60081
0109B-6319-FL
January 9, 2004

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Official Seal
/s/ Wanning Qing
December 30, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 30th day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ Eleanor A. Petruska
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 30, 2003
Willard R. Helander
Lake County Clerk
0109B-6315-LB
January 9, 16, 23, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
Office Center of Gurnee
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Office Leasing & Services
ADDRESS(ES) WHERE
BUSINESS IS TO BE
CONDUCTED OR TRANS-
ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:
5465 Grand Ave., Suite 100, Gurnee, ILL. 60031, (847)855-4500.
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Shirley Friedlander, 5465 Grand Ave., Suite 100, Gurnee, ILL. 60031, (847)855-4500.
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Official Seal
/s/ Shirley Friedlander
December 30, 2003
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 30th day of December 2003.

Official Seal
/s/ Eleanor A. Petruska
Notary Public
Received: Dec. 30, 2003
Willard R. Helander
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Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners,
Gurnee, Park District, Lake County, Illinois
0109B-6317-GP
January 9, 2004

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Michael Lescher, President
Susan Murphy, Secretary
Fox Lake Grade School District 114
Board of Education
Spring Grove, Illinois, 60081
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January 9, 2004

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PUBLIC NOTICE
ASSUMED BUSINESS
NAME application
NAME OF BUSINESS:
McArthur Machining
NATURE/PURPOSE:
Prototype machining and machine programming.
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